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Circuit court recording equipment approved

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

Crawford County officials are moving forward with plans to upgrade recording equipment in the circuit court room to cut down on personnel costs.

County Commissioners at their ways and means committee earlier this month approved a recommendation to have the circuit court room equipped with electronic audio and video recording equipment.

The upgrade will cost between \$45,000 and \$47,000, said County Controller Paul Compo.

The system includes various cameras and microphones which will be placed throughout the court room that will capture the voices and images of lawyers and people testifying on the stand.

"The minute you start speaking into that microphone, the camera that's assigned to that microphone comes on and records it," Compo said.

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Boil water advisory remains in effect

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

Grayling City residents will have to continue to boil their water before drinking it or using it for cooking to prevent bacterial infection.

Crews for M & M Excavating of Gaylord, the construction company hired to retrofit Grayling's storm water sewer system, accidentally broke a teninch water main adjacent to the Grayling City Park Monday.

The break occurred around 2:30 p.m. Grayling City Manager Allen Lowe said. Department of Public Works (DPW) employees and construction workers knew the pipe was located near the city park, but could not detect its exact location since it was an older pipe not made of metal and could not be detected with a metal detector. The pipe was broken when a crane operator was digging and was a few feet off.

DPW employees were hampered while trying to fix the pipe because water flowed into the work pit where the pipe was located from the AuSable River. Employees worked into the night to repair the line and restore water service to residents.

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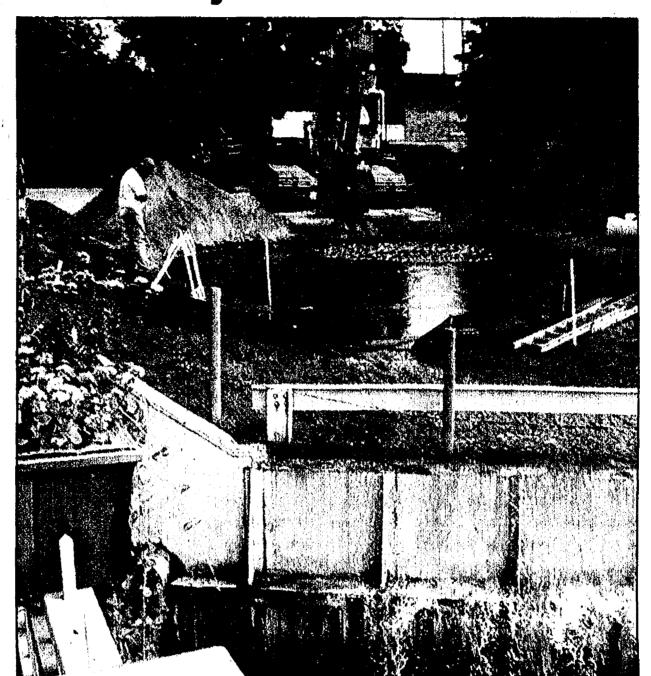


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St. Helen man dies after construction site accident

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

A 31-year-old St. Helen man died on Tuesday, Aug. 9 from injuries sustained from an accident which occurred at a construction site west of Grayling.

Kristopher Ryan Vogt was critically injured on Monday, Aug. 8 when trusses for the new DuBois Do it Best Lumber and Rental Center building located at 6593 West M-72 collapsed.

The incident occurred around 1:02 p.m. Crawford County Sheriff's Deputy Jason Alexander responded to the scene and found Vogt to be unresponsive, but was still breathing. Grayling City/Township Fire fighters and the Frederic Township EMS also responded to the scene.

Vogt was an employee for Ripke Construction of St. Helen, the contractor for the DuBois Lumber Company project.

Herb Ripke, the foreman on the job, told Alexander that Vogt had fallen when the trusses for the building separated from the main support wall and came down, causing Vogt to land on his head.

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County board to consider pension increase request

by Dan Sanderson Staff Writer

Crawford County Commissioners are studying the possibility of increasing the pensions given to former employees.

Earlier this month, commissioners directed County Controller Paul Compo to gather information on what it would cost to give employees a cost of living increase for their pension plans as well as different options which could be used to increase the retirement pay.

The move was prompted by a request from Tom Coors, a retired Crawford County Sheriff's Deputy, who came in front of the board seeking an increase in retirement pay.

The Michigan Employees Retirement System (MERS), the pension program used by the county, notifies retired employees by letter that they can seek a cost of living increase hike from county boards if increases are not automatically granted.

In Crawford County, employees who retired prior to 1990 automatically receive a two-percent cost of living pay increase annually. Compo said about 20 to 25 employees are covered under that pension plan scenario.

Employees who retired after 1990 received a two-percent retroactive pay increase in 1995.

MERS provides actuary stud-

ies to the county board annually which show a two-percent pay

increase for the pensions.

A separate option offered by MERS gives the County Board authority to determine the percentage for a pay increase or dollar amount officials wanted to

Compo said there are six different employee groups covered by county pension plans.

The County Board's personnel and labor committee has been charged with studying the issue.

County officials will go over the financial documents provided by Compo next month.

"I need it in writing and in front of me to make sure that we're being fair to everybody," said County Commissioner Scott Hanson,

Coors said he was pleased the board was willing to look at the pay hike.

Compo noted that employees are not contractually obligated or entitled to request the pay hike, saying it was just a matter of asking county officials to consider the issue when developing annual budgets.

Employees that do not automatically receive the cost of living pay increase would not get the increase in pay if the board does not act upon the request.

"I certainly wouldn't expect myself or anyone else to stay at the wage increase the next 20 to 30 years after they retire just because the board does not take action," Coors said.

SAFETY TOWN





Photos by Dan Sanderson

Fifteen Grayling area youngsters completed the Safety Town program last week. Sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Grayling and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Carl Borchers Post 3736, Safety Town is a program that introduces safety awareness and prevention procedures to youth as they are about to enter kindergarten. During the week-long program, children learned about pedestrian, bicycle, fire, animal, poison and bus safety. (Left) Sara Piehl, 4, of Grayling takes a turn aiming a fire hose with Travis Roberts, the fire marshal/inspector for the Grayling City/Township Fire Department. (Right) Stephanie Schalk, an EMT for Mobile Medical Response, displays equipment and supplies that are kept in the back of an ambulance as Safety Town participants look on.

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A Contract is established between the instructors and the student which states what will be expected in order to attain credit. Most of the contract items are based upon research, reading and computer-based learning. The instructors act as guides and assistants to students as they pursue their individual goals.

Curriculum, though approached in a different manner than most traditional classrooms, is tied directly to the high school graduation requirements.

Students are required to be employed and also perform community service hours as part of the curriculum. This class will meet at Grayling High School.

Crawford AuSable Literacy Network

Prepare for the GED test! Instruction includes using the calculator for the Mathematics test, writing the essay, developing critical thinking skills and graphic literacy. If you have a learning or physical disability, you may qualify for special accommodations. Contact Paul Brunell at 344-3535 for more information.

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This network, which includes community groups, uses volunteer tutors to provide added assistance for adults who need help learning to read, write or improve their math skills.

Currently housed at the Adult Learning Center, this network of community volunteer tutors provides assistance to basic education students. Gary Barrow can be contacted at 344-3525.

Check out the new website - casdki2.net - go to the education link.

Boil water advisory remains in effect

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Since bacteria may have entered the city's water system, Department Environmental Quality has mandated that the city advise resir

dents to boil their water before

DPW workers chlorinated the entire water system on Tuesday. DPW staff will have to test the system on Wednesday, and perform a second test 24 hours later on Thursday to ensure that the water system is bacteria free.

If bacteria is found in the water system, the city will have to start the process all over again.

"We will notify everyone as soon as the water is safe to drink," Lowe said.

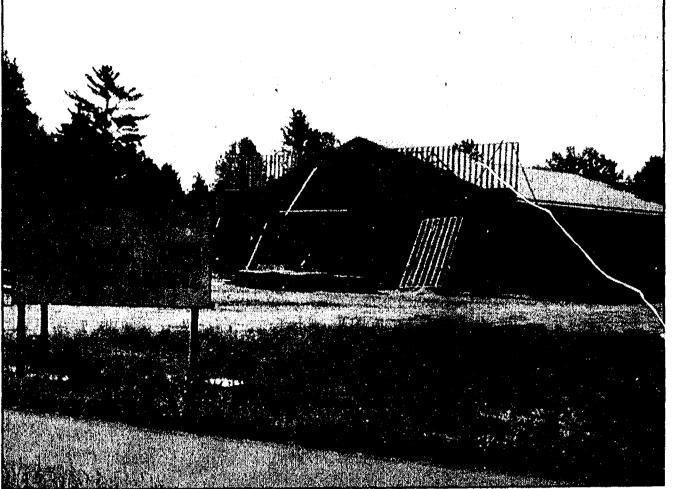


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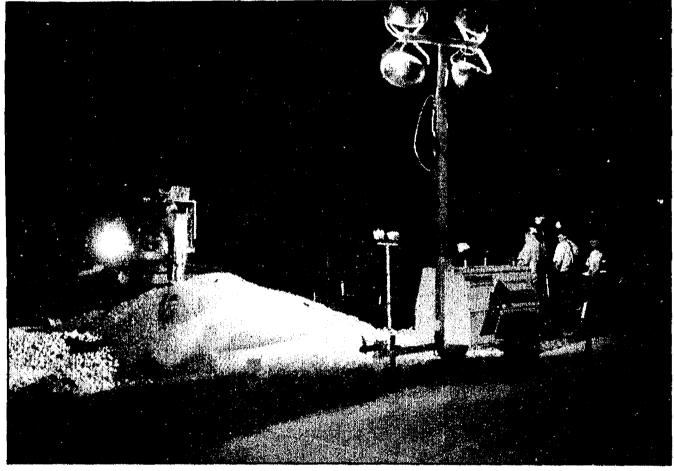
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Monica Ashton, the Grayling Township clerk, had staff call 911 after she heard a crack and saw Vogt and the trusses falling to the ground. The Grayling Township Hall is located next to the new DuBois Lumber Company building.

Vogt was airlifted by a North Flight Helicopter from Mercy Hospital Grayling to Munson Medical Center in Traverse City, where he succumbed to his

Alexander said he did not observe any safety harnesses, helmets or safety equipment at the site.

Bob Pawlowski, the director of Construction, Safety and Health Division for the Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA), said field investigators are looking into the accident. Pawlowski said it would be several weeks before MIOSHA supervisors would review the reports and decide if citations would be issued to Ripke Construction.



Grayling Department of Public Works employees worked well into the night to repair a water main located next to the city park which was broken when it was hit by the bucket on a crane Monday afternoon.

Circuit court recording equipment approved

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The county will see a savings in personnel costs because a court clerk will not have to present in the courtroom to monitor the recording equipment. The clerks, however, will dave a monitor in their offices so they could be contacted by the judge if a court file is requested.

The audio will recorded by a computer, as well as on a compact discs which would be available if lawyers request transcripts of court proceedings.

Dave Stephenson, the chairman of the county board is on a committee which handles court issues for the 46th Circuit Trial Court, stressed that cameras will never capture the images of people serving jury duty.

"Irregardless of whatever camera comes on - the jurors will never be shown," Stephenson said.

46th Trial Court Administrator Rudi Edel has requested

place the upgraded recording equipment in the court rooms prior to the appointment of a new circuit court judge. Chief 46th Trial Circuit Court Judge Alton T. Davis was appointed to fill a spot on the Court to Appeals, leaving the vacancy in the tricounty board. Otsego County already has the equipment in the

The upgrades would save up to \$55,000 for the counties.

"To save the money on the personnel side, we need to have all three court rooms wired," Compo said.

Funds to the pay for the upgrades will come from the Courthouse Preservation Fund. A \$10.00 fine from every traffic ticket goes into the Court Preservation Fund, which is earmarked for improvements for the courthouse buildings, grounds

and for court house furnishings. County officials said it would

Kalkaska and Crawford Counties cost between \$7,000 and \$9,000 to have the county jail equipped with the same video and audio equipment. By placing the equipment in the jail, inmates could be arraigned from the jail, which cut down transporting inmates to the courts and would add an extra level of security.

> Sheriff's department staff would also be able to monitor the courts if there is commotion during a court hearing.

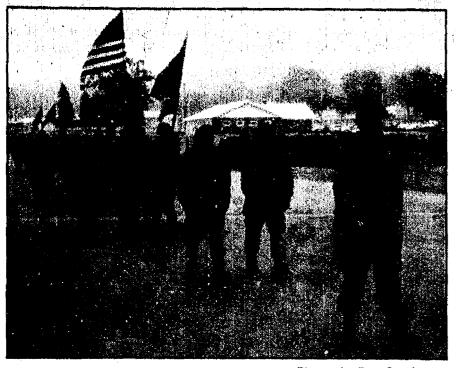
> "Deputies can see that before they go busting in the door and at least they know what's going on

> in there," Stephenson said. Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said he was interested in having the equipment in the

"Anytime I can save time by not having an officer take somebody to court and have to stand there for however long it takes the court to do what they have to do is a benefit for me,"

Wakefield said.

Pass and Review Area hunter



Photos by Dan Sanderson

The Memorial Service and Pass and Review Ceremony ended the two-week annual training for the Michigan Army National Guard at Camp Grayling last Friday. Pictured above, troops march past dignitaries, family members and retired military personnel. Below, Gov. Jennifer Granholm and Maj. General Thomas G. Cutler, the director and adjutant general for the Michigan National Guard, present awards to troops who were recognized during the ceremony.



wins elk permit

by Matt Seager Staff Writer

sportsmen to start thinking about the hunting season. For a Crawford County resident named Bill Lucksted, this year's hunt is sure to be unforgettable.

Earlier in the year, Lucksted applied to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for a permit to hunt elk this season. He didn't get his hopes up too high- in 2004, about 40,000 hunters applied for the permit, which was randomly granted to less than 130 individuals. Nonetheless, Lucksted ended up being one of the big winners this year.

"That was kind of an exciting thing to happen," said Lucksted. The DNR grants the elk hunting license in order to curb the animal population in the Pigeon River area. Population control is especially in demand this sea-

"They've got farmers that are complaining about the crop damage," said Lucksted. Lucksted said that elk cows and calves are wandering outside the Pigeon River State Forest and causing problems for farm-

This annual population control effort is a way for hunters to help. Additionally, permit, money is put toward conservation efforts throughout the state.

"I feel that I'm just contributing to that," said Lucksted. Of course, getting a permit is only half the battle. The real challenge is having a successful

"It's just something that's going to take some research and find out where to hunt," said Lucksted. Each hunter is allowed to kill just one elk. Should Lucksted be successful in this endeavor, he does not intend to mount the animal. Nevertheless, he still plans to put it to good use.

"The meat – I've had it before

and it's excellent," said Lucksted. He will go to an ori-It isn't too early for outdoor entation on August 26 in Gaylord, where the rules and regulations for this special hunt will be outlined. The hunt starts on August 27 and lasts five days. If a hunter doesn't kill an animal during this period, he or she gets a second chance during September 9-12.

"It's an early hunt," said Lucksted. If Lucksted sees an elk, he should have little trouble hitting his mark.

"That's an awful large animal. Normally they're four times the size of a deer," said Lucksted. Hunters are allowed to bring as many people as they want along on their expedition, as long as the person bearing the permit is the only one to do any shooting. Lucksted plans to bring his family.

"My son, Bill Jr., I think is getting more excited than I am," said Lucksted.

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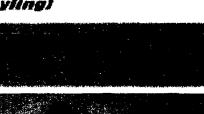
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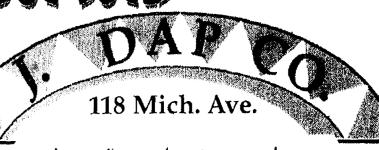
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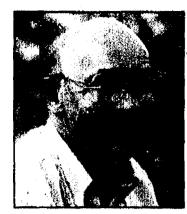
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ALMANACK

by Richard L. Milliman

What's in a name? A war is a war is a war

THE IRAOI WAR has brought all sorts of problems around the world, and into America's hometowns and neighborhoods as well.

What's the proper way to refer to what's been going on in Iraq for the past few years?

When we talk about the war in Iraq, everyone knows what we mean. Why the reluctance to call it that?

Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom are a couple of ways President Bush and folks in his administration usually refer to the conflict, and they should know because they started the whole thing.

But even the President doesn't seem sure. He keeps telling the nation that we are at war, and the enemy is not confined to Iraq. Other names are publicly bandied about to follow this theme, such as War on Terrorism, or even Global Struggle against Extremism.

tance now because of the growing number of tombstones and other markers honoring those killed by combat in Iraq.

Shelby Township in Macomb County sought to honor Pfc. Mark Barbret who died after a roadside bombing in Iraq, but what would they put on the monu-

According to a story in the Detroit Free Press, township officials considered Global War on Terrorism, Global Struggle Against Violent Extremism, Operation Iraqi Freedom, and War in Iraq. They finally settled on simply "Iraq."

The federal government, in issuing military headstones, usually lists only the country in which the service member died, such as Iraq or Afghanistan, according to the Free Press story, but will add Operation Iraqi Freedom or Operation Enduring Freedom if the family wants more specificity.

The Shelby VFW post, which will A CORRECT TITLE gains imporplace the name of Pfc. Barbret on the

post's Honor Roll, will use the words from medals issued by the military: the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal and Service Medal.

WHAT'S IN A name? Perhaps America's most devastating war still carries different names. Being from the north, I've always referred to the Civil War, while others might remember the War Between the States. Down in the deep, deep south, some rock ribbed natives still resent what they call the Northern Invasion. It's all the same war.

World War I at its conclusion was hailed as The War to End All Wars, a hope proved false by Japan, Adolph Hitler, and events of the ensuing 20 years or so.

World War II was obviously named, but it also had sub-sections – the War in Africa, the War in Europe, the War in the Pacific, with the final episode of the War in Japan averted only by dropping the atomic bomb.

In anticipation of the future, militarists and politicians often warn against any World War III, with the underlying theme that any future worldwide war might well be the War to End Civilization.

The Korean War during its conduct and for years afterward was called a "police action," but right from the start it was a war, as American troops fought armed forces from both North Korea and

The Vietnam experience took longer to become recognized as an outright American war, because our original involvements started small in an "advisory" capacity, but grew steadily until it became the Vietnam War, with American forces carrying a major load of military action until our evacuation.

NOW WE HAVE our extended military action in Iraq, which might be considered by some as an extension of our earlier Operation Desert Storm when

Iraq invaded Kuwait, and under the first President George Bush we chased Iraqi troops back home.

No matter how our leaders today attempt to use fancy phrases to cloud what's going on now in Iraq, it's the Iraqi War.

When we have guys on the other side shooting at guys on our side and we're shooting back, and the other guys are trying to blow up our guys and anybody they even think might be on our side, and we're all pursuing all the trappings of armed combat then that's war, and that's what we are doing in Iraq.

It may be less formalized, and the armed enemies trying to kill our soldiers are more difficult to define, but it's still

In the end, history will decide, but fancier names will not change the facts.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

WASHINGTON NOTES

by Carl Levin, U.S. Senator (D-Michigan)

Highway bill finally on the right track

years of work, several false starts, and twists and turns worthy of a soap opera, but Congress has finally passed a highway bill. Since the previous highway bill expired in 2003, we have been getting by on temporary legislation that has pushed off difficult decisions and has made it difficult for states and countries to plan projects.

Finally, we have a bill. It's not perfect, but it gets us closer to where we need to go. This funding for transportation infrastructure, such as roads, bridges and border crossings, will increase the mobility of people and goods, enhance economic competitiveness and reduce traffic congestion. In addition, it will have a large and immediate impact on job creation and economic growth. The Department of Transportation estimates that every \$1 billion in new federal investments creates more than 45, 000 jobs.

The highway bill gets us a bit closer to equity for Michigan. When the formula for distribution of highway funds was estababout 20 states including Michigan, were "donor" states. In other words, these states were sending more gas tax dollars to the Highway Trust Fund in Washington than were returned for transportation spending. The remaining 30 states, known as "donee" states, received more transportation funding than they paid into the Highway Trust

This inequity originated from the reasonable need to connect various parts of the country together through the interstate highway system. Western states with relatively few people but long distances to cross had to get more dollars at that time than they were able to send to Washington. That was fair enough, but they joined with a number of small, mainly eastern states to produce an unfair formula, which basically stayed the same ever since.

Each time the highway bill has been reauthorized, my colleagues from other donor states and I have fought to correct this inequity. Through these battles

It has taken more than two lished almost 50 years ago, over the years some progress has the Blue Water Bridge plaza been made. In 1978, Michigan was getting around 75 cents back on our federal gas tax dollar. The 1991 bill brought us up to approximately 80 cents per dollar, and the 1998 bill guaranteed a 90.5 cent minimum return for each state. This new version will bring us to 92 cents per dollar by fiscal year 2008. I am disappointed that it does not go further, but at least this bill makes a little more progress toward achieving equity for Michigan.

Overall, this bill will provide more than \$1.1 billion annually to fund transportation projects in Michigan-240 million more per year than the prior six-year highway bill. In doing so, it will create 61,500 new jobs across the

Further, we are proud to have helped secure significant additional funding for Michigan roads and highway related projects that will help make up a bit for Michigan continuing to be a donor state. For example, the bill provides \$41 million to reconstruct and widen I-94 in Kalamazoo and \$43 million for

expansion in Port Huron. It provides \$29 million for the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy to help establish a West Riverfront walkway and greenway, along the Detroit River east from Cobo Hall to the Ambassador Bridge.

The bill provides \$12 million for the construction of a new crossing and I-75 interchange in Gaylord to reconnect Milbocker and McCoy Roads and a new overpass to reconnect Van Tyle to South Wisconsin Road. And, among other projects, it provides \$13.3 million to repave a portion of H-53 in Alger County in the Upper Peninsula.

We still need to reach full equity for Michigan and the battle will go on until equity is achieved. We have succeeded in reducing the inequity a little more in each reauthorization bill, and we do so in this bill as well.

And at long last, we have a highway bill that will help keep traffic and commerce flowing.

Carl Levin is the senior U.S. senator from Michigan.

l am not the enemy

To the editor:

I understand the frustration we all are experiencing with the rising costs of gasoline. I pay that price too. I have to drive to and from work and the store. I have to work hard for a few dollars, the few dollars I get, and I hate having to give it to the oil companies when you never know what tomorrow's price will be. Should I fill up today or wait and see if it will be two cents cheaper tomorrow? Lately though, it's not the oil companies I see as the enemy. It's my neighbors.

It's the same people I see stopped at the red lights in town. The people I stand in line with at the grocery store.

I am a cashier at a local gas station. I earn my money like every other person.

I am raising my kids and suffering from the high costs of gas too. I am also being called filthy names by people as I change prices on the street signs. Coworkers have had things thrown at them as they attempt to do their jobs. When changing a price on a sign becomes something I should probably be getting hazardous duty pay for, then it's not just the oil companies that are in the wrong.

We have no control over the price of that gas. We will agree with you when you come in to make your purchase that yes, it's high. Yes, it hurts our wallets and pocketbooks too. Yes, it is getting out of hand. But yes we have to pay that same price.

Gas station employees don't get a discount on that gas. What we do get is yelled at, used as personal sounding boards and lately objects of target practice. Not everyone, mind you, is like this. Many people do understand, they do even sympathize that we, as the representatives of gas stations, do take a lot of the brunt of customer frustration. They understand that like you we are just as frustrated.

It's to the few that just don't seem to understand that point that I am writing this. I am not the enemy. I don't have a magic wand to make it all better and I have no idea what the price will be tomorrow.

What I do, my own suggestion, write my congressman and ask them to do something. Something other than talk. How about lowering the tax on that gallon of gas for a few months and let our check books catch back up?

No matter what customers, friends, and people who think I am the enemy keep the 70's in mind. It could be worse. We could have high gas prices, gas on odd and even days, or signs that say "out of gas" all over town. That was the reality then.

Keep in mind the next time you see one of us out there with the pole changing the prices. We hate it too. But we aren't doing it because we want to. We aren't the enemy.

> Faye Tackett Grayling

VIEWPOINT

by Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield

CRAWFORD COUNTY

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55, 070 motorists for drunk driving. That's nearly 150 every Michigan State Police Criminal Justice Information Center.

Crashes involving drinking tend to be more serious than nondrinking crashes. The percentage of fatalities is eight times higher than in all crashes, and the number of crashes at the most serious injury level are almost four times higher. Michigan State Criminal Police, Justice Information Center.

The severity of injuries is much worse for drivers and passengers who had been drinking. Michigan State Police, Criminal Justice Information Center.

Three in every 10 Americans will be involved in an alcoholtheir lives. National Highway Lose.

Traffic Safety Administration. Impaired driving is one of the most often committed crimes, randomly killing someone in America every 30 minutes and nearly 50 people a day. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

In Michigan, over 500 law enforcement agencies throughout the state are participating in the You Drink & Drive. You Lose, initiative, sponsored by the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning.

Sheriff Wakefield states the Crawford County Sheriff's Office will once again be participating in the Office of Highway Safety Planning's drunk driving campaign, scheduled for August 19 through September 5, 2005 related crash at some point in titled You Drink & Drive, You

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Letters to the Editor

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line

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College scholarship applications available

Grayling Rotary Club Scholarship applications are now available from any Rotary Club member or at the AuSable School District office(the Whitehouse). Applicants must have completed at least one year of college. Application deadline is August 31, 2005

Straits Area Ostomy Association

The Straits Area Ostomy Association will hold its regular meeting on Sunday, August, 21 at 2 p.m., at Otsego Memorial Hospital in the administrative conference room in Gaylord. All ostomates and interested persons are cordially invited. Please call 989-821-5721 for further information.

Volunteers needed

The Senior Companion Program and Foster Grandparent Programs are in need of volunteers. Senior Companions provide assistance and friendship to seniors who have difficulty with their daily living tasks by helping them retain their independence. Foster Grandparents mentor children with special needs in schools, Head Start and day care centers. To volunteer or for more information, call toll free 1-877-222-9043. Certain eligibility requirements apply.

Bowling meetings to be held

Leagues are now forming at the American Legion Lounge and Lanes. The Friday Northwood League organizational meeting will be held on Friday, August 19 at 7 p.m. The Monday Pioneer League meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 23 at 7 p.m. The Wednesday Recreation League meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 24 at 7 p.m. The Tuesday American Mens Bowling League meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 23 at 7 p.m. And the Friday Night Mixed League meeting will be held on Friday, August 26 at 7 p.m. Interested bowlers need to attend. Meetings will be held at the American Legion Lanes

Gillard announces local office hours

State Representative Matt Gillard will be holding open office hours in Grayling on Thursday, August 18 at the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way in Grayling from 2:30 p.m.- 4 p.m. Area residents are encouraged to discuss questions and concerns they have about state government. For more information, please call his Lansing office toll-free at 1-866-MATT-106.

Girls tennis practice to start

Practices for Grayling High School's 2005 girls tennis season will begin on Tuesday, August 23, at 10 a.m. at the GHS tennis courts. Players must have a current physical form completed in order to participate.

Child care information session to be held

There will be a Child Care Information Session at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library on August 29 between 1 p.m. -2;30 p.m. for anyone interested in becoming a licensed/registered child care provider. The session is offered by the Child & Family Services 4C. If you are interested, contact Nancie Kersey at 989-344-5144.

Women's Pool League to hold meeting

The Women's Pool League will be holding a meeting for all the new and old women's league players at the Sawmill on August 22 at 7

Golf outing, auction to benefit military families

attempting to keep their scores as low as possible at the Fox Run Country Club on Friday, Grayling area business owners and volunteers will be trying to raise a pile of cash to help assist families of military personnel serving in Iraq.

The AuSable Adventure Golf Outing will be held on Friday at the Fox Run Golf Country Club. The golf outing will benefit the Michigan National Guard Family Support Fund and the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve.

The Michigan National Guard Family Fund was created to assist Air and Army National Guard families who experience financial difficulties while their spouses are being deployed. The Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve is an organization that assists returning soldiers with various employment needs.

Famed sports announcer George Blaha will serve as the Master of Ceremonies for the AuSable Adventure Golf Outing dinner and auction which will be held at the Grayling Holiday Inn.

Items that will be featured in the auction include four tickets to the Tonight Show with Jay

While golf foursomes will be Leno, a guitar signed by Brooks and Dunn, a fiddle from Charlie Daniels and a guitar from Jon Bon Jovi. A ride on a L-39 Jet with Bob Lutz and a one-hour tour in a 1943 Boeing L-13 Biplane are among the auction items. A gift certificate for golfing at the Pilgrim's Run Golf Course in the Grand Rapids area, a nights stay and golf at Treetops, a golf outing at Crystal Mountain and 15 overnight lodging gift certificates are also up for grabs during the auction.

> The Ausable Adventure Golf Outing will begin with a shotgun start at 1:30 p.m. Friday at the Fox Run Country Club, followed by a cash bar and dinner at the Grayling Holiday Inn beginning at 6:30 p.m. The entry fee for a four-person team for the golf outing is \$400, which includes lunch and dinner. Individual tickets for the dinner are \$25 per

> Anyone interested in showing their support for the Michigan National Guard and their families is encouraged to attend the golf outing, dinner and auction.

> For reservations or for more information, call Fox Run at 348-4343 or the Grayling Holiday Inn at 800-292-9055.

RAFFLE WINNERS

Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for August 14 of \$25 each: D.J. Canfield, Pat Bernardo, John Blaine, and Linda Golnick.

Grayling Lions Club

The Lions Club Lucky 13 Raffle winner of \$300 for week 5 is Ursula Chappell.

Tractor pull to highlight festival

The last weekend of August, Wellington Farm Park near Grayling will play host to their annual Flatbelt Festival and Tractor Show. Highlighting this year's event will be a Garden Tractor Pull on Saturday, August 27. Pulling will begin about 9 a.m. and will continue until all classes have had an opportunity to pull. Seven different classes of garden tractors will compete in the event. Anyone who would like to participate in the event is cordially invited to bring their garden tractor to Wellington Farm Park and join in the fun.

Registration for Wellington Farm Park's big three-day tractor show will begin at 9 a.m. on Friday. August 26. Anyone who has a tractor and would like to bring it to the 60-acre living history museum is welcome. It makes no difference what the condition or the vintage of the tractor, just bring your toys and come play for the weekend. Free primitive camping is avail-

able for all participants. Flea Market vendors and crafters are welcome also. In addition to the garden tractor pull, other events taking place during the festival include threshing, a working sawmill, a working grist mill, blacksmiths, carpenters and baling with a vintage Ann Arbor Hay Press. There will also be contests for tractor drivers such as the barrel roll, back-up race and slow race. All tractor owners who wish to

the plow and make a round turning the sod over. On the afternoon of both Saturday and Sunday, there will be the Big machinery Parade, an activity for which Wellington Farm Park had become well known. All of the buildings at the museum will be open in full operation. There will be food concessions and many demonstrations. For those who would like to enjoy the evening hours at the park live music will be provided on Saturday night. The farm market will be fully stocked with fruits and vegetables of the season as well as jams, jellies and farm baked pies. There is a petting barnyard for the younger set and lots of things to see and do for the entire family.

Wellington Farm Park is a 60acre living history farm located on Military Road between Camp Grayling and North Higgins Lake State Park. Easy access from both I-75 and US-27 make the farm a popular spot for tourists traveling to the Northern Michigan area. The park features eight historic buildings depicting life in a rural farm community during the time of the Great Depression. The latest addition to the complex was the moving of the historic Stittsville Church to the farm where it will under go extensive restoration and soon be available for visitors to use and enjoy. For more information call the farm at 888-653-3276 or visit the website at work their tractor may hitch to www.wellingtonfarmpark.org.

Marguerite Gahagan Nature Preserve hosts art show

The Marguerite Gahagan the Preserve. Nature Preserve will host a unique Art Show & Sale on Saturday, Sept. 6, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Preserve's Educational Building, Maplehurst Road, Roscommon.

Several members of The Pen and Pallet, an organization of Roscommon area artists, gathered at the Nature Preserve this summer and used the Preserve's natural beauty and wildlife as an inspiration for subject material. The first-time effort to join the talents of the artists and the beauty of nature has paid off in a spectacular fashion, according to Nature Preserve President, Roberta Werle.

"We were very happy to host The Pen and Pallet artists at the Preserve," said Werle. "It was a wonderful experiment which introduced many artists to the Preserve and they, in furn, now have a chance to show their impressions to the public.

The public is invited to see the results of this joint effort during the Labor Day weekend on Saturday, Sept. 6. Entry to the Nature Preserve is free. The show will be held rain or shine at

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 119 complaints the week of August 8 -August 14:

Twelve traffic accidents, one traffic violation-civil infraction, one accident-all other, two motor vehicles-vehicle identification number-school bus, one inspection. five civil matters/family disputes, 11 suspicious situations, one lost and found property, 22 general noncriminal, one run aways, six false alarms, two assault/intimidation/stalkings, eight larcenies, two motor vehicle thefts, two fraudulent activities, one obstruction of justice, 19 public peace/disorderlies, one OUIL, six health and safeties, one conservation, two miscellaneous criminal offenses, one miscellaneous arrest and three driving violations-/driving while license suspended.

For more information, log on to: www.crawfordsheriff.org.

The Marguerite Gahagan Nature Preserve is located off M-18. (Turn west off M-18 on South Line Road, travel onequarter mile past the recycling center to the Nature Preserve parking lot.) The Marguerite Gahagan Nature Preserve is handicapped accessible.

For additional information about the Art Show & Sale contact Betty Granzon, The Pen and Pallet, 989-821-8426.



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The Bible Speaks

Canada Legalizes Sodomite Marriage

The day before I addressed a Bible Conference in Toronto, Ontario, Canada on their Godly heritage, the House of Commons voted 158 to 133 to pass Bill C-38 legalizing samemarriage in Canada. Following after Belgium and Netherlands, Canada became only the third country in the world to legalize sodomite marriage.

I reminded Canadians of the Preamble to the Charter of Rights and Freedoms in Canada's Constitution which begins with these words, "Whereas Canada is founded upon principles that recognize the supremacy of God and the rule of law." Canada guarantees some of the same Rights and Freedoms we do concernconscience, religion, thought, belief, opinion, expression, press and other media, peaceful assembly and association. Canada also guarantees equality under law stating, "Every individual is equal before and under the law and has the right to the equal protection and equal benefit of the law without discrimination..." We share with the Canadians that freedom and equality are gifts of a supreme God.

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The meaning of the founding of Canada "upon principles that recognize the supremacy of God and the rule of law," may be better understood by reading the ceremonies at the Coronation of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on June 2, 1953. At one point in the ceremony the archbishop asked the Queen: "Will you to the utmost of your power maintain the Laws of God and the true profession of the Gospel? Will you to the utmost of your power maintain in the United the Protestant Kingdom Reformed Religion established by law?" The Queen responded: "The things which I have here promised, I will perform, and keep. So help me God. "

When presenting the Queen with an authorized 1611 King James Bible the Archbishop said, "Our gracious Queen: to keep your Majesty ever mindful of the law and the Gospel of God as the Rule for the whole life and government of Christian Princes, we present you with this Book, the most valuable thing that this world affords. Here is Wisdom; This is the royal Law; These are the lively Oracles of God."

How did Canada make the move from being a God-fearing nation to becoming like Sodom

and Gomorrah? It was a gradual process. First they decriminalized homosexuality in 1969. Ten years later. Toronto would hold its first Gay Pride Day, an event that has become the second-largest annual celebration in North America of gay life. On June 17, 2003, Prime Minister Chrétien Jean announced his intention to legalize same-sex unions. Following the first parliamentary session extension in 17 years, the vote was cast late Tuesday night on July 19, 2005. Overnight marriage licenses changed from "Bride" and "Groom" to "Partner 1" and Partner 2."

How could this happen when polls indicate a majority of Canadians support traditional marriage? Social laws were already being changed by judges, feminist bureaucrats, and special rights panels forcing gay marriage on the country through the argument of equalprotection grounds. God is surely turning Canada over to a reprobate mind. (Romans 1:22-28). How close behind are we in the U.S.A? Pastor "B"

County Avalanche.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

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week's This (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, August 19 - Lunch -Ravioli, tossed salad, broccoli, carrot, celery and apple salad

No dinner, 12 p.m. Frederic and Maple Forest Satellite Meal. 1 p.m. Stagette Club and Pantry Bingo.

Sunday, August 21 - Brunch - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Pancakes and sausage, eggs, fruit bar, juice, coffee and milk. \$3.00 seniors and under 12, \$5.00 Non- seniors. Monday, August 22 - Lunch - Bratwurst in a bun, brussel sprouts, potato salad and mandarin oranges. Dinner - loaded baked potato w/chili, broccoli w/ cheese sauce and dump cake. 12 p.m. Stag Club, 1p.m. Bridge Club. 5:30 p.m. Hangman.

Tuesday, August 23 - Lunch open hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes w/gravy, marinated carrots and Jell-O fruit salad. Dinner - teriyaki chicken, Louisiana style smothered squash, Harvard beets and mixed fruit. 12:45 p.m. Euchre Club, 5 p.m. Speaker-Joe O' Doherty

Wednesday, August 24 -Lunch - hungry boy casserole, spinach, cottage cheese w/apricots and melon balls. Dinner meatloaf, peas and carrots, mashed potatoes w/gravy and applesauce. 12 p.m. Stag Club

Thursday, August 25- Lunchbacon and egg quiche, glazed sweet potatoes, fruit medley salad and pastry. - Dinnershrimp, garlic mashed potatoes, green beans and peaches.

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Rose Akers Oct. 26, 1917 - Aug. 6, 2005 Rose Akers, 87, of Manton, passed away on August 6, 2005 at Lakeview Lutheran Manor in Cadillac after a lengthy illness.

Rose was born on October 26, 1917, in Harrisville to Frederick and Martha (Strauch) Green. She married Donald Akers in Harrisville on August 14, 1937

Rose grew up and attended schools in Harrisville. She lived in Grayling until moving to Manton in 1953. enjoyed bowling, golf, swimming, painting and loved Michigan and collecting lighthouse memorabilia and thimbles.

She is survived by six children: Donald (Carole) Akers of Tustin, Frances Kelly of Hudson, Florida, Marie Cendrowski (Richie) Hudson, Florida, George (Vicki) Akers of Manton, Ann (Roy) Feagan of McBain, and Tom (Barbara) Akers of Manton; three sisters: Hetty Manser and Florance Lyons both of Washington, Martha Benet of Tennessee; 17 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and one great-greatgrandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband; a brother Fred, a sister Ruth, and granddaughter Cathy Jo Akers..

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, August 20, 2005 at 2 p.m. at the Manton Senior Center.

Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery in Manton.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Manton Senior Center.

Arrangements by Funeral Chapel in Manton.

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If tears could build a stairway, and memories a lane, I'd walk right up to heaven and bring you home again.

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Card of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone who sent flowers, plants, food, cards and donations to the Alzheimer's Association. special thank you to Dr. Gosling and the staff at Mercy Hospital, Terri Lockwood, Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home and the members of the Grayling Eagles Club. Your kindness and sympathy during our time of loss of a very special man will always be remembered.

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Betty A. Fisher Feb. 20, 1929 - Aug. 14, 2005 Betty A. Fisher, 76, of St. Helen, passed away on August 14. 2005 at Bay Regional Medical Center in Bay City, Mi. Betty was born on Feb 20. 1929. She married George Fisher. Betty lived in St. Helen since 1979 and was a member of the Assembly of God Church in both St. Helen and West Branch.

She is survived by three children, Darlene Fisher and William Fisher of Grayling and Robert Fisher of St. Helen; nineteen grandchildren; twenty three great-grandchildren; a sister, Lillias Waugh of North Branch; and a sister-in-law, Betty Fisher-Miller of Central Lake.

She was preceded in death by her husband and son Melvin. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, August 17, 2005 at 1 p.m. at Steuernol & McLaren Funeral Home in St. Helen. Michael Reverend Klauka officiating. Interment Fairview follow at Cemetery in St. Helen.

Delores A. Foust

Jan. 13, 1927 - July 30, 2005 Delores A. Foust, 78, of Lewiston, passed away on July 30, 2005 at Otsego Memorial

Hospital. Delores was born on January 13, 1927 in Lincoln Park. She married Clare Foust on February 2, 1957

In 1966 Delores and her husband began traveling throughout the United States building log homes. They were very active in senior citizens groups throughout. Delores had been living in Lewiston for the past eight years. She attended the Lovells Community Church and

loved animals. She is survived by two children, Charles (Barbara) Foust of Six Lakes and Linda Foust; two grandchildren, Chuck Foust Jr. and Carol Ann (Butch) Cavanaugh.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 2001.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, August 27, 2005 at 4 p.m. at Lovells Community Church with Pastor Larry Hankins officiating.

Arrangements by the Nelson Funeral Home, Gaylord.

Card of Thanks

Thank you Mercy Manor for the wonderful care you gave my mother and thank you Linda for making her hair look nice. I will miss you guys.

> Janet SanCartier Thelma Hubbell's daughter

Card of Thanks

To my mother-in-law. Thank you for the meals you have shared with me. Thank you for your kindness and your patience. Thank you for helping me mature. Thank you for sharing your life and your daughter with me. Thelma, I pray you rest in peace.

Card of Thanks

Thank you Randy West, for going so far out of your way to fix the bearings on our camper. Because of your selfless generosity of time and parts from your vehicle, we were able to make our trip a memorable one. Thank you Randy, from your broken-bearing friends.

Gertrude Lobsinger August 16, 2002 A mother's touch,

A wife's kiss,

A grieving family, You're greatly missed. An empty house, An empty chair, A mother's love, No longer there. A Droken neart. A tear-filled eye, Another soul to fill the sky. Many memories in our minds. Some we laugh, Some we cry. That's all we have to hold on to, The memories, of what once was

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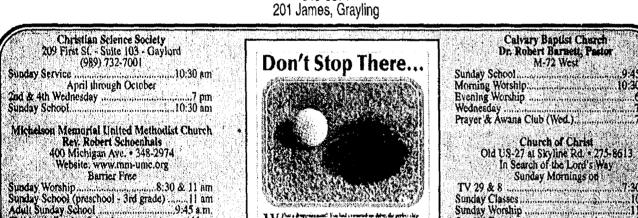
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Barrel racing event attracts local riders

by Matt Seager Staff Writer

Horseplay was the name of the game last weekend, when the International Barrel Racing Association (IBRA) and the National Barrel Horse Association (NBHA) co-hosted a three day championship in Gaylord which attracted several riders from Crawford and neighboring counties.

"It's kind of an addiction," said Sara Pence, state director of the IBRA. Within the IBRA circuit, the weekend tournament was a state championship event.

The rules of barrel racing are simple. The horse and rider must navigate a large, open arena that contains three barrels. The horse runs around the barrels in a clover-like pattern and exits the course where it entered. The entire race usually lasts less than 20 seconds.

Participants are racing against the clock, with the fastest time winning the event. Based on the fastest horse, prize categories are broken into four divisions. The first division includes the fastest horses. A half second is added to the very fastest run to create the second division. For example, if the fastest run took exactly 14 seconds, then a rider with a time of 14.5 seconds would take first place in the second division.

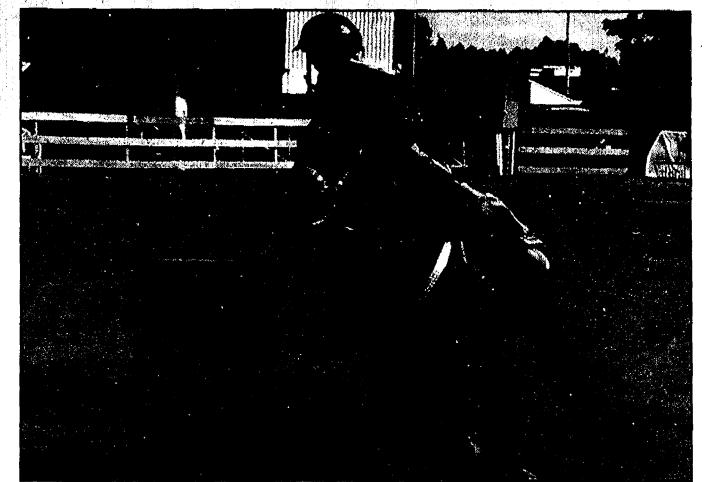
From there, racers can fall into third division (+1 second) and fourth division (+2 seconds). With only two seconds separating the top racers from the beginners, barrel racing is one of the most precise sports around, with fractions of a second separating most competitors.

One such competitor is Jo Hamlin from Grayling, a young girl who picks barrel racing as her summer sport of choice.

"It's the most fun thing to do," said Hamlin. That sentiment was echoed by Paige Feeley, an 18year old Kalkaska resident who took second place in the Friday Youth Class Division 1 IBRA race with her horse, Dreamer. She also took the top rank in two other race categories, taking home two brand new saddles.

"What helps me a lot is just because I've been riding my whole life," said Feeley. "You've got to have a good horse that's willing."

Although barrel racing remains an Indie sport in the sense that it gets very little media attention, officials from both the IBRA and the NBHA noted that it is quickly growing in popularity, especially among kids and adults ages 20-40.



Tara Pummell of Grayling completes a turn. Any kid old enough to ride on his or her own may participate in the races.



Jo Hamlin of Grayling completes a race. According to Hamlin, it is worth the time and effort that is required to take care of horses in order to ride and race.

getting their kids into it...it's something fun to do and they can do it with their kids," said Pence.

"It's a great sport. It keeps kids interested in the activity," said Tim Droptiny, MI 02 district director for the NBHA. He noted that awards were given to the top five riders in each division. In barrel racing, traditional prizes such as medals and trophies are eschewed in favor of horse-related items such as saddles and buckles.

Cash awards for the top racer alone are often around \$9000, making barrel racing a big

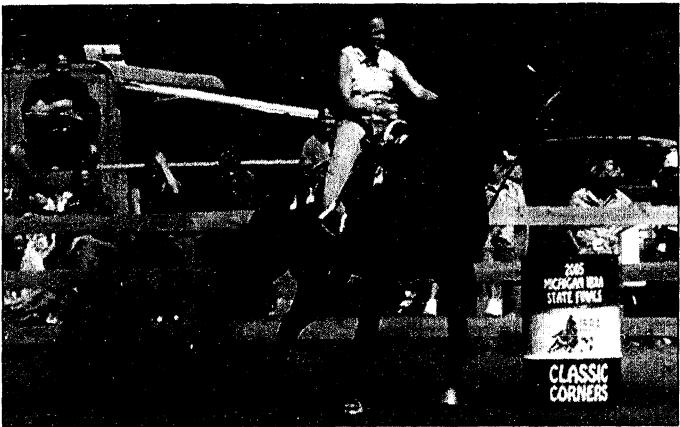
"I think that a lot of parents are money sport. Of course, young riders are rarely in it for the money.

"It's lots of fun. I love it," said Ashley Diemert, a 17-year old rider from Gaylord. "I love my horses. I like to do the sport."

Droptiny believes that barrel racing is more than a fun time. It is also good for the kids.

"You've got barns to clean and hay to haul. There's just no time to get into trouble," said Droptiny.

Complete IBRA race results found http://ibra.us/states/mi/results.sht



Melissa Jevicles of Roscommon navigates the race course. She has been to national tournaments in Mississippi twice.

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- Level 2	Nov. 29	West Branch
	Jan. 19	Gaylord
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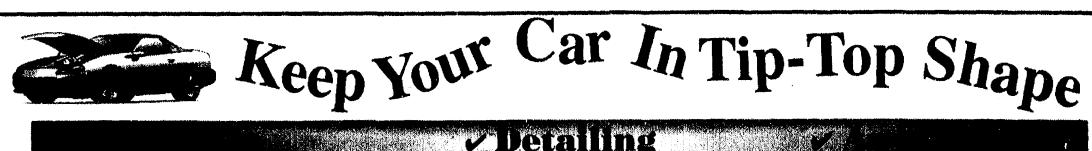
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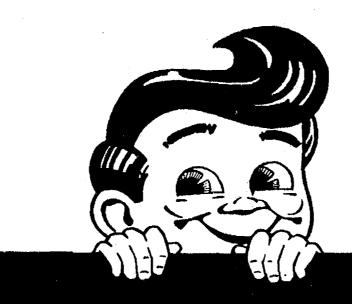
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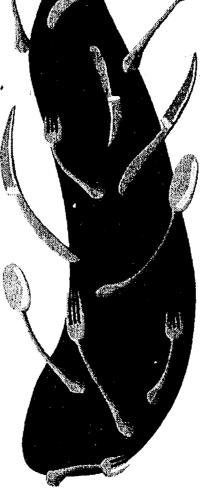
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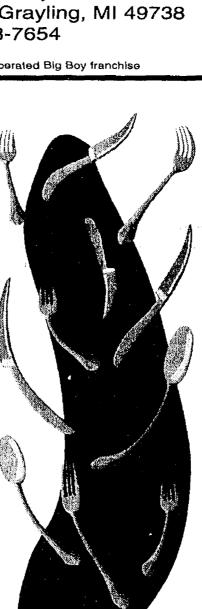
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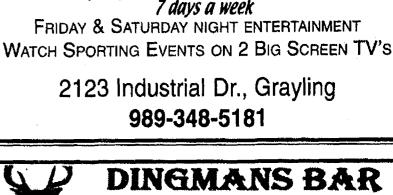
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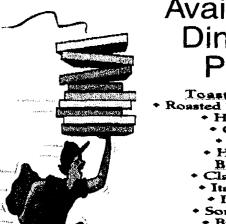
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Cowabunga! The Avalanche interviews voice actor Rob Paulsen

by Matt Seager Staff Writer

When it comes to battling the Shredder, attempting to take over the world or helping a friend survive his latest invention, the most qualified man on earth is most certainly Rob Paulsen.

Paulsen, who lived in Grayling during summers as a kid, is now a successful voice actor, having played the voices of such iconic cartoon characters as Raphael (Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles), Pinky (Pinky & the Brain) and Carl (Jimmy Neutron).

The Avalanche first interviewed Paulsen about a decade ago. Since then, the actor has become a seasoned industry veteran. Paulsen recently visited Northern Michigan in order to pursue a business venture in Traverse City and visit his parents, who are now Grayling residents. During his stay, he took a moment to share his thoughts with The Avalanche about acting, fame and most importantly, cartoons.

"When you're passionate about what you do – that, I think, is really important," said Paulsen. To this day, Paulsen's best known role is the voice of Raphael, one of the four pizza eating, ninja fighting mutant turtles from the hit show that premiered in 1987. At the time, the show had a cultural impact that was at least as great as the splash that SpongeBob SquarePants is making today. At the time Paulsen auditioned for the role, no one knew how big it would become.

"I was sort of familiar with the turtles comic book before I read for it," said Paulsen. Initially, the producers ran five episodes to test the show.

became huge," said Paulsen. "It was great to see the ground swell of publicity. You know you've really got something when you see references in everyday life."

By the early nineties, kids were eating out of Ninja Turtles cereal bowls and dressing up as their favorite ooze powered pal every Halloween. This gave Paulsen's career an early jump start.

"It legitimized me a little more in terms of being in Hollywood," said Paulsen. "It gave me more credibility as a performer."

It also opened another door for Paulsen- it gave him the chance to make a difference in people's lives. Often, kids who are hospitalized are unable to move from their beds, with nothing to do but watch cartoons. To a six year old kid, Raphael is real. Like many other famous voices and celebrities, Paulsen took the opportuni-



Rob Paulsen (right) autographs a Raphael action figure for Jill Seager, a local fan. "It's very flattering when somebody recognizes me," said Paulsen.

ty to call ailing kids and offer words of encouragement from their favorite cartoon character.

"This goofy cartoon show gave me an opportunity to visit these kids in a really dark time in their lives," said Paulsen. "It was overwhelming. There were a couple of times where I could barely keep from just losing it...you think, 'I would do anything to trade places with that little boy or girl."

Both of Rob's parents stated "You get to see these people all that, in their eyes, this work is their son's greatest achievement. "You get to see these people all that, in their eyes, this work is the time and have Christmas together and have holidays," said

"This is, to us, the zenith of parental pride," said Bob Paulsen, Rob's father. The experience has also added perspective to Rob's own life.

"I think it made me a better parent," said Paulsen. Paulsen generally speaks to kids using the voices of his more popular characters. Nevertheless, Paulsen has been involved in around 200 separate projects in the world of TV, film and video games. Paulsen spoke of some of his lesser known roles that stand out as personal favorites. In a 2004 Disney version of *The* Three Musketeers starring Mickey and Minnie Mouse, he plays, coincidentally, a turtle.

"I liked it a lot because they hired me to sing a bunch of songs that were really great," said Paulsen. He is also proud of his work as Axle the Alligator on *Taz-Mania* (1991).

"That was a great show. It was

beautifully written and very sharp," said Paulsen. Out of TV cartoons, video games and movies, cartoons are, by far, Paulsen's favorite kind of project.

"I like TV animation the best because you get the chance to do a lot of episodes," said Paulsen. Being involved in a project on a long term basis gives a performer a steady source of income as well as providing the basis for long term friendships.

"You get to see these people all the time and have Christmas together and have holidays," said Paulsen. Just a few famous friends and acquaintances Paulsen has made over the years include Mark Hamill (Luke Skywalker from Star Wars), Brad Garrett (Robert from Everybody Loves Raymond) and Wayne Knight (Newman from Seinfeld, Dennis Nedry from Jurassic Park).

Overall, Hollywood stars are becoming much more involved in voice roles lately, with animated films featuring everyone from Cameron Diaz (Shrek) to Samuel L. Jackson (The Incredibles). This industry trend is beginning to impact traditional voice actors such as Paulsen.

"I understand a producer's desire to have big names," said Paulsen. "If they decide they want to use a celebrity, I can't fight that. All I can do is give them the best audition that I can do."

Paulsen noted that as long as

there are good movies they will be successful whether or not celebrities are in the lead roles. Conversely, a bad movie is a bad movie no matter what.

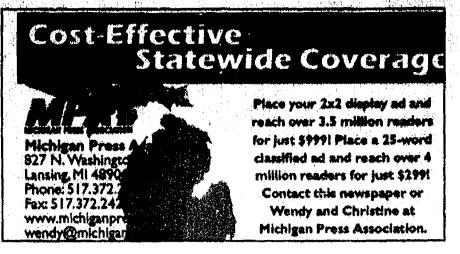
"I've made a really good living doing what I do and I will continue to, but that was never the motivator," said Paulsen. "We all care about money but it takes care of itself when you're doing really good work, I think."

Paulsen will likely continue to make it in Hollywood as cartoons continue to grow in popularity among both kids and adults. Animated films now even have their own Oscar category.

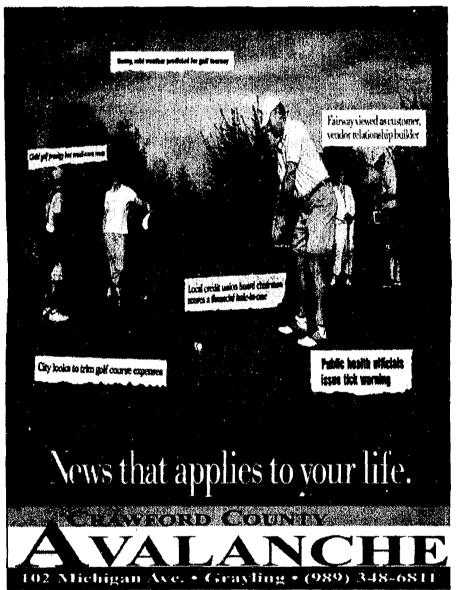
"It's become a lot more main-'stream...and I think that's partially due to *The Simpsons*," said Paulsen. "There are very hip cultural references that keep people interested...that's not just the goofy show."

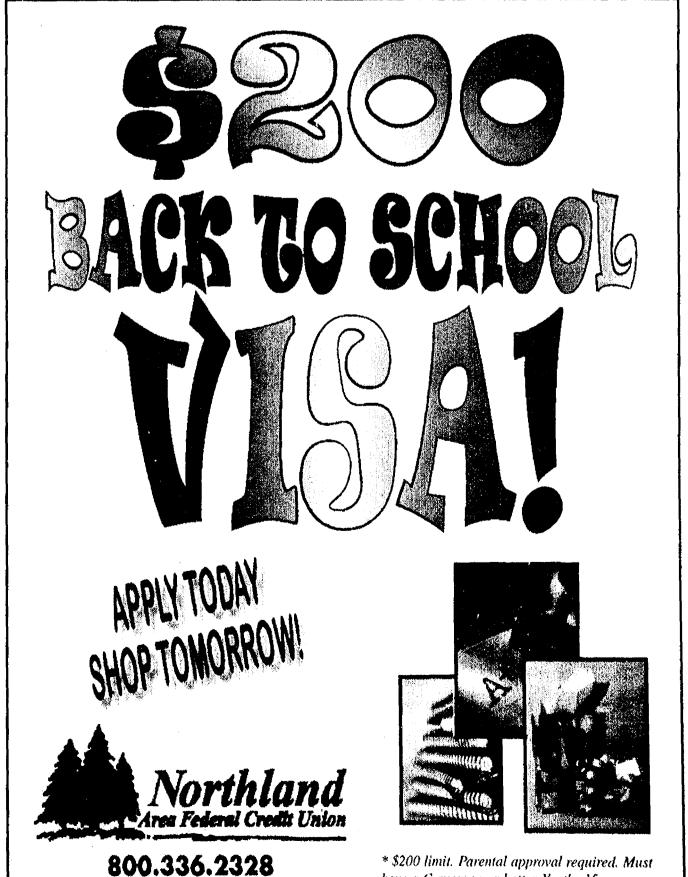
Paulsen, who used to get into trouble in high school for doing impersonations, has now been in the industry for over two decades.

"I still get excited...this is all about fun and laughing," said Paulsen. "All things considered, it's a great way to make a living."



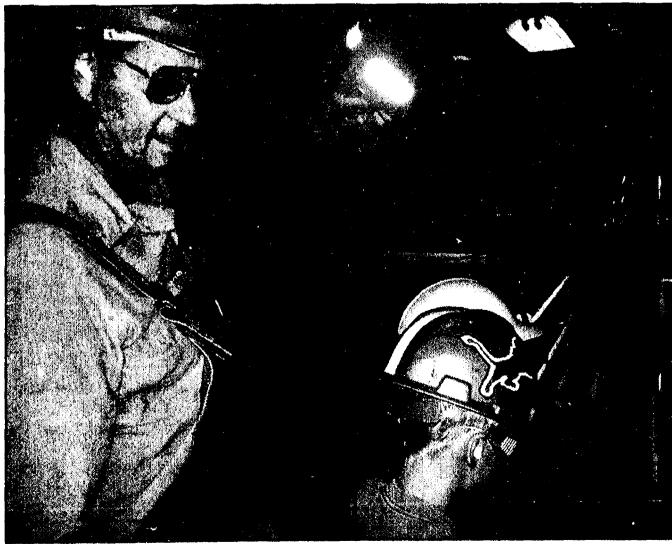




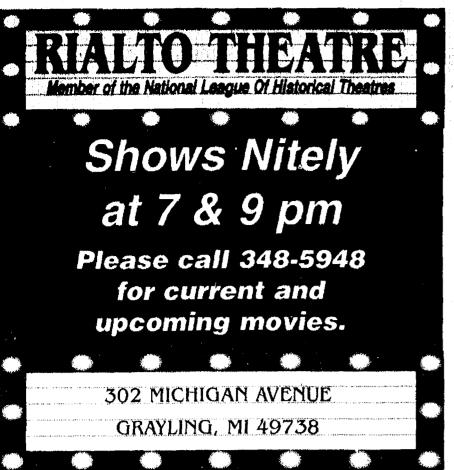


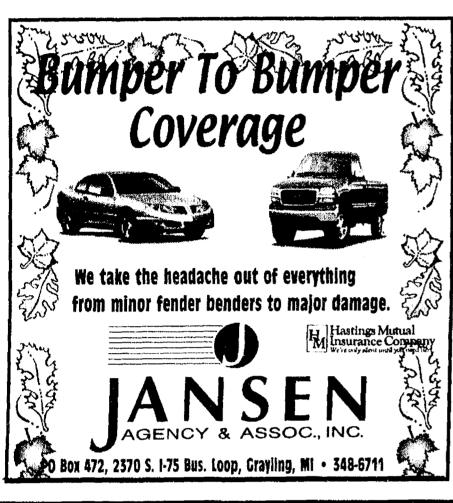
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Stormwater retrofit project underway

Stormwater Project began earlier this month.

Grayling City Manager Allen Lowe said local officials were very pleased to see things moving forward.

"We are excited about leaving a cleaner AuSable River to our children," Lowe said.

With engineering designs completed, permits secured, and construction crews working on site the AuSable River really will soon receive a lot less polluted runoff from the City of Grayling.

The purpose of the project is to reduce by 80 percent the amount of polluted runoff entering the AuSable River from paved surfaces in the City of Grayling. Stormwater runoff, carrying oils and greases, sediment, trash, pesticides and other hazardous materials, is one of the primary sources of pollution in the watershed.

Like many of the high-quality rivers in northern Michigan, the AuSable is almost entirely fed by groundwater, which is a big part of the reason why it runs so clear and cool with very stable flows all year long. Groundwater-fed streams like the AuSable are especially susceptible to impacts from stormwater runoff impacts which lead to water city. quality problems such as fluctuating water flows, increased water temperature, turbid water, and downstream erosion, among other things.

The solution to handling the stormwater problem is to direct much of the water from city streets into retention areas in the

Construction for the Grayling street right-of-way. By cutting the curb at strategic points, covering existing catch basins, and directing runoff from the street into a shallow retention basin in the right-of-way, Grayling is applying a concept that mimics nature's method for handling water - let it soak into the ground.

> Grayling is at the forefront of demonstrating this treatment for use for other communities and project summaries will be presented to other communities interested in better protection of the lakes and streams upon which they depend. The demonstration nature of the project and its direct benefit for the AuSable River has helped immensely with public and private fund-raising efforts. While that means a good portion of the cost for the project has been provided by sources from outside of the community, the "Low Impact Development" demonstration effort also requires some patience for the community as engineers learn from the project and refine techniques. Following this summer's construction of Phase I, more work will continue throughout 2006 in order to reduce polluted runoff from the downtown area as well as the north section of the

> "The conventional approach to storm water management has been to convey untreated storin water directly into the nearest stream or lake through a series of pipes, ditches, and other structures. By utilizing Low Impact Development techniques to direct much of the storm water to

vegetated infiltration areas, this cooperative effort between the City of Grayling and its many partners has turned tradition on its head," the Michigan Department of Environmental Rick (DEQ), Quality's Shoemaker said.

Shoemaker is the DEQ Project Administrator overseeing the state grant for the project and works with members of the Grayling Stormwater Committee to guide the project.

"The DEQ is really pleased to see this kind of innovation and high level of commitment towards protecting and preserving this valuable public

resource," he added. In order to help handle the volume of polluted runoff that the right-of-way rain gardens may not be able to handle, a device which filters out oils and sediments is being installed underground at many of the stormwater outfalls. These oil/grit separators will be installed underground and filter out pollutants just before water is discharged to the river.

"While this end-of-the-pipe approach by itself doesn't reduce the volume of water reaching the river, it helps take out much of the nasty stuff otherwise entering the AuSable River," project coordinator Brad Jensen said.

Jensen added that, when used in conjunction with the retention basins, the treatment approach should reduce polluted runoff by 80 percent and that the City of Grayling was really doing a great job of addressing a serious, but often ignored problem.

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Through a pro-active approach aimed at reducing future problems, along with working voluntarily with project partners to address existing problems, the health of the river and the economic well being of the communities it helps sustain can be preserved. Fortunately this connection is recognized by local leaders such as the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce President Tim Zigila.

"The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce fully supports the efforts of storm water retention project in the City of Grayling. We promote the Au Sable River as our greatest natural resource and now stand behind the effort to protect and preserve it," Zigila said.

The Chamber of Commerce President is also a member of the Stormwater Grayling Committee, made up of representatives from the City, Michigan Department of Environmental y Quality, Trout Bums, Au Sable River Watershed Restoration Huron Pines Committee, Resource Conservation and , Development Council, George A. Griffith Foundation, USDA-Natural Resources Conservation . Service, Grayling Township, and the Michigan Council of Trout Unlimited.

The one-million dollar project will be constructed in three y Phases, with the first expected to be completed in early fall 2005. Engineering for the project is . provided by the Traverse Citybased firm Gosling Czubak, with Continued on Page 11A

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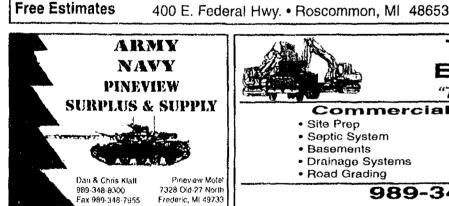
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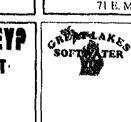
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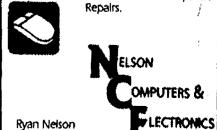


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Stormwater retrofit project underway

Continued from Page 10A construction for Phase I contracted to M&M Excavating.

Funding for the three-phase project comes from a \$758,000 grant through the State's Clean Michigan Initiative program, administered by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. Additional funding has been provided by the City of Grayling, Trout Bum Bar-B-Q, the Paul Young Chapter of Trout Unlimited, the Michigan Fly Fishing Club, and a host of other

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Huron Pines, an organization whose mission is to build and strengthen partnerships to meet resource conservation and local community needs throughout Northeast Michigan, is providing coordination for the Grayling Stormwater Project. For more information about the Grayling Stormwater Project call 989/348-9319 visit www.huronpines.org.



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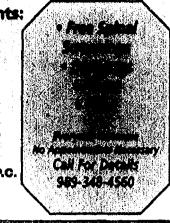
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MEAP Week at Kirtland makes learning fun-

From comic books to rocket science - MEAP Week at Kirtland covered it all. For the entire week of Aug. 8-12, every nook and cranny on the Kirtland campus was full of students learning just how fun learning can be.

The week, which is sponsored annually by the Crawford, Oscoda Ogemaw, (COOR) Roscommon Intermediate School District, is a reward given to area fourth-grade students who performed well on Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP)

This year, more than 300 of these students participated in MEAP Week and had the tough assignment of choosing only one class from a list that included robotics. French, computer graphics, three-dimensional art, aquatic chemistry and much

The classes are all hands-on in approach and are designed to be fun, yet informative - students can choose to explore a task they've never tried, or advance their skills in an area in which they already have some knowledge. The sky's the limit and these students always seem to be reaching for it.

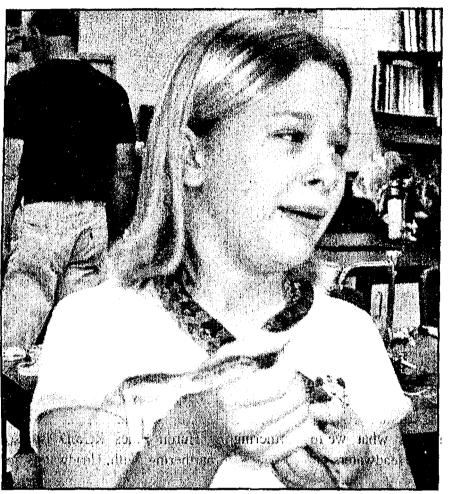
"By Tuesday, they'd already learned everything I'd prepared to teach them," said Teri Dougherty, the technology whiz from COOR who taught the Web Page Design class during MEAP Week. "They just keep asking questions, so I keep showing them how to do more things."

In Spanish class, teacher Samara Sabin from Grayling mixed piñatas, Spanish music, songs and food in with her lessons, to the delight of her students.

On Friday of MEAP Week, it's tradition for students to present what they've learned to the entire student body and to visiting parents and friends. The Fun With Physics class shot off their homemade rockets. The Beginning Theater class presented skits. And members of the Journalism class handed out copies of The Kirtland MEAP Express - a special MEAP Week issue full of interviews and pictures they'd taken during the week that will remind all the participants just how much fun learning can be.



Steven Johnson, of Grayling, chose to model his MEAP Week Creature Mania class creation after a Komodo dragon.



Brittney Turner, of Grayling, participated in the Web Page Design class during MEAP Week at Kirtland, but took some time see what some of her fellow fourthgraders were learning in the Explorations in Science class.



In the economics class called Mini-Society, students found out how many details are involved in opening a business of their own. Emily Schans, of Grayling, joined with her friend and business partner, Hillary Moore, also of Grayling, to open Tiki Island, a store from which they "sold" all types of tropical accessories.

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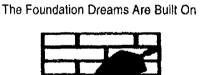
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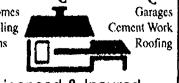
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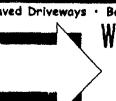
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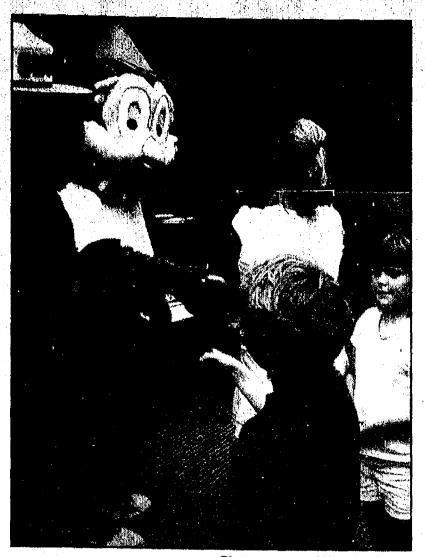


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Hartwick Pines hosted its eighth annual Forest Fest event Saturday. It featured lots of explorations and activities for kids, including a scavenger hunt and "wildfire tag." Smokey Bear and Woodsy Owl made guest appearances at the event.

Youth ChalleNGe to hold orientation courses

Youth ChalleNGe Academy will conduct upcoming orientation courses for youth interested in attending a 22-week residential course which begins in January,

Sponsored by the Michigan National Guard, the Youth ChalleNGe Academy is offered at no cost and is a 22-week residential course for Michigan youth, ages 16 to 18 years old who are at risk, or who have dropped out of high school. The academy is designed to help students obtain a GED or high school diploma,

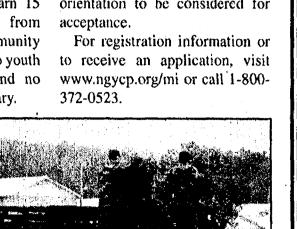
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The first orientation course for the January class takes place at the Army National Guard Armory, 1200 44th St., in Wyoming, MI, this Saturday, Aug. 20.

A second orientation will be held a 9 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 9 in the Armory Building at Camp Grayling.

Interested youth must attend an orientation to be considered for





Cadets from the 13th Michigan Youth ChalleNGe Academy class took part in annual training at Camp Grayling last week. Pictured above, Gov. Jennifer Granholm and National Guard brass pass by the cadets during the the Memorial Service and Pass and Review of the Troops.

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When they placed a conservation easement on their 66-acre property near Stephan Bridge, however, they not only protected the future of Northern Michigan, but the past as well.

The Bovees know the entire history of the land from the time Fay's grandfather purchased the first 25 cacres for \$90. Pay knows the names of the four families her grandfather purchased the property from. She also knows the details of how her father foreclosed on a \$500 mortgage from a man named Leon Babbit and acquired the 41 acres next to the original property.

Given their extensive knowledge of the property, neither of them is eager to see the property developed.

"We didn't want it broken up into lots," said Fay. "Besides that, the land really isn't conducive to building. There are a lot of springs, cricks and wet spots."

The property itself is, with the exception of a cabin built by Fay's father as a hunting camp, untamed. Cedar and aspen are prevalent in the forest, while some endangered ladyslippers poke up through the grass. White pine also grows on the property.

The Bovees' land is also home to many different animals, not the least of which are birds. According to Fay and Robert there are woodcock, partridge, palliated woodpeckers and at least one Kirtland's Warbler.

The ground animals include rabbits, rattlesnakes and bear. In fact, the bear has left unmis-

"We know there was a bear down there because it scratched the cabin," said Fay.

The conservation easement is the result of the Headwaters Land Conservancy partnering with Huron Pines Resource Conservation and Development Area Council. The partnership is due to a Clean Michigan Initiative grant.

A conservation easement like the Bovees' is a voluntary legal agreement that allows a landowner to permanently protect land and limit future development of the land, while retaining ownership and the ability to sell. Conservation easements are perpetual. Future owners of the land are held to the terms of the agreement, and the land conservancy is responsible for permanently monitoring and enforcing the terms. A building envelope for future home sites can be built into the conservation easement as long as it does not disrupt the conservation values of the prop-

The conservancy placed on the Bovee property is one of many conservation projects spearheaded by this organization. The Meiers, Duncanson, Ostahowski, Peacor Gahagan Nature Preserve conservation easements are all the result of a partnership between HeadWaters and the Huron Pines Resource Conservation

and Development Area Council. "It's funded through the Department of Environmental Quality," said Lisha Ramsdell,

the watershed coordinator for Huron Pines RC&D. "The project start date was March 1, 2004 and the end date is March 31, 2006.

Huron Pines RC&D partnered with Headwaters shortly after, in April 2004.

"The grant itself is made up of nered with Headwaters. two parts," said Ramsdell. "The "We actually sponsored the first component is to secure 10 conservation easements along the AuSable River corridor, and this is what we're partnering with Headwaters on."

The project focuses on the upper watershed. It includes both Big Creeks and the north, south and east branches as well as the main stream of the AuSable. The project ends at the dam in Mio.

The first step in the partnership between Huron Pines and Headwaters was to prioritize

"We looked at areas along the AuSable that were 20 acres or larger," said Ramsdell. "Then we sent out direct mail to see whether those people were interested."

What kinds of properties were they looking for?

"It doesn't matter as long as it's riparian," Ramsdell said.

Of course, some exceptions were made.

"The Jones property is 160 acres," said Ramsdell. "It's not on the riparian corridor, but it has 100 acres of wetland, so it was very important to select that one (for a conservation easement)."

So far, the partnership has been extremely successful.

"We have eight easements secured," said Ramsdell.

In fact, the success of the

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Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas

Creek. August 18-20 and August 24.

ARF Range, located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and north of Portage Creek. August

Range 30 Complex located north of North Down River Rd., east of Jones Lake Rd., south of County Road 612, and west The Range 40 Complex, of Bald Hill Truck Trail.

> In addition, the following roads will be closed on August 18 - 24: Bucks East-West Truck Trail from Jones Lake Rd. to Bald Hill Truck Trail; Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East-West to North Down River Rd.; Stephan Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to North Down

River Rd., and Wakeley Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to North Down River Rd.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to mobilizations or critical training requirements. the Commander may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond

This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

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Kirtland automotive tech grad gets behind-the-scenes look at racing

For Aaron Gemmill, an automotive technician from Lupton, it was the equivalent of how a teenaged girl would have felt bumping into Elvis during his hey-

"He was just sitting there - he didn't have mobs of people around him or anything," Gemmill said about his recent encounter with

Richard Petty while at New International Hampshire Speedway. "I just walked up to him and asked him if he could get me out of hot water with my wife and sign my (NASCAR) flag. He

retired NASCAR racing legend

was really nice about it." Gemmill got to stand there and chat with the "The King" of auto racing - a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

But then, the automotive gods have been smiling on Gemmill lately.

"I just keep wondering how I deserved all this," the 27-year-old Gemmill said about the allexpense-paid trip he earned in July, to see both the Busch Series New England 200 race, and the Nextel Cup New England 300.

Gemmill is a recent graduate of Kirtland Community College's automotive department and was chosen to represent the college as part of Speedway Illustrated magazine's Automotive Students For Success program. The New Hampshire Speedway was the inaugural locale for the program, which was developed jointly by Kirtland's marketing staff and the national stock car racing maga-

The hope of the magazine – and of the college - is to bring the

and careers.

we'll all come out ahead."

The trip gave Gemmill an insider's look at what many consider to be the pinnacle of the automotive

"To go where I got to go - it was totally different from watching the race from the stands," said Gemmill about the carte blanche access he had not only to the speedway, but to "pit row" to watch the crews perform those amazingly fast tire changes - and where he was a stone's throw from the cars as they raced at close to 190 miles per hour.

The trip came with more than just a pit pass, however. Gemmill spent most of a weekend hobnobbing with NASCAR drivers, crews and media. He had behind-thescenes access to a world that race fans like him rarely allow themselves even to dream about.

And he was personally escorted throughout most of the weekend by staff and celebrities from

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world of automotive technology out of the grease pits and into people's minds when they think of high-tech career choices. It is the intention of Speedway Illustrated to use the program to promote automotive technology programs

"An 'automotive technician, whether at a race team or a car dealership, spends half his - or her - time looking at a computer screen and in many cases earns a six-figure salary," said Speedway Illustrated publisher Silvio Calabi. "But nationwide there's a shortage of these trained professionals. If the magazine can help alert young people to such careers, and reward them for doing well in school,

tech world.

everybody,"

"adopted" by Kenny Wallace's crew Saturday afternoon and watched that team do an emergency engine replacement in the garage. Then he got to help push the car to the NASCAR inspection

for a young family man who spent the last four years attending classes and working night shifts in order to earn his automotive techprocess, he also earned the Automotive Service Excellence



Alan Gustafson (center), crew chief for NASCAR driver Kyle Busch, takes a moment to chat with Aaron Gemmill (right), of Lupton, and Speedway Illustrated magazine's Executive Editor Dick Berggren during a NASCAR race weekend in July at the New Hampshire International Speedway.

Speedway Illustrated.

"They were fantastic - they took me everywhere," Gemmill

One of the magazine notables on hand was Dick Berggren, executive editor of Speedway Illustrated. Berggren has been involved in the race world for more than 30 years, first as an amateur driver, then as a racing journalist and editor and then as a commentator, currently on FOX

"He knew everyone," Gemmill said about Berggren. "I mean, he didn't just remember their names, he knew them. The pit crews,

As a result, Gemmill was

All this was quite a nice reward nology certificate and to pass the state certification exams. In the

certification - the approval process that represents the industry standard.

"He's worked really hard for this," said Gemmill's wife, Laura; "I think they should have a reward for the wives as well though," she

She's become a NASCAR fan herself, but had to settle for watching the race on TV with the couple's 6-year-old daughter and 3year-old son.

"Watching the races will never be the same," Gemmill said, shaking his head.

The trip made Gemmill a bit of a celebrity in town – which likely won't be bad for business either but for now, it's back to work at Allen's Auto & Recreational Care in Rose City, owned by fellow Kirtland student, Mark Reilly

He may not be able to guarantee a 22-second tire change, but Gemmill has the stamp of approval from the automotive industry – and the thumbs up from Speedway Illustrated's **Automotive Students For Success**

"I don't think we will be able to mention NASCAR in our house for a very long time without Aaron getting that huge smile on his face," said his wife. AUGV 1

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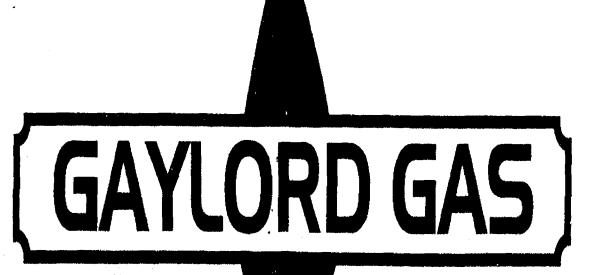
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The Closing & Emergency Hotline may be accessed directly by dialing 344-3530 twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

SCHEDULE FOR OPENING WEEKS OF SCHOOL

School will be in session for all students Monday, August 29. The Friday before Labor Day Weekend has been legislatively directed as a vacation day.

All employees will meet in district and building organizational meetings and professional development programming on Thursday, August 25 and Friday, August 26. Conducting one of the district professional development days prior to the start of school means one day fewer without school in session during the school Auto active thereof hacetence tace," san-

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ATTENTION NEW STUDENTS!

Parents are urged to register their children if they are new to the Crawford AuSable School District Thursday, August 18, and Friday, August 19. Students new to the district can report to the building they will be attending from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursday and Friday. A current immunization record must be presented or contained in transfer records. At the Elementary level, the building principal will assign the student to a classroom. At middle school and high school levels, the student will be assigned a counselor who will assign a class schedule after reviewing transferred records and meeting with the student to discuss goals, interests, and past successes.

Michigan Requires Immunization For School Entry

Michigan law prohibits a principal or teacher from admitting new entrants to school without a record of having received at least one dose of each; measles, mumps, rubella, polio, diptheria, tetanus and pertussis. Records for all entering kindergarten students and students enrolled from outside the district will be reviewed to ensure immunizations are up to date. Notice will be sent to parents or guardians if there is no immunization record upon school entry or if records are incomplete. Students not in compliance with state immunization requirements will be excluded from school until documentation of immunization is presented. Parents may sign a waiver if they have a religious or other objection to immunization, or they may provide a statement of objection for medical reasons which has been signed by a physician. Michigan law requires that all students be immunized against diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, polio, measles, mumps and rubella. Immunization can be obtained from your physician or health department.

BUILDING USE BY OUTSIDE GROUPS

Persons or groups wishing to use school district facilities outside of the regular school day can call the Community Education Director at 344-3535 or 344-3534. A building request form will be provided and if the request is approved, a contract will be completed. It is the policy of the district to charge a fee for such use. Fees are based upon the cost of utilities, materials, and personnel to the district and upon the type of group using the facility. Requests for building use must be filed at least ten days prior to the date requested. Classrooms, cafeteria, auditorium, and gymnasium are available for use. Requests for use during school hours must be processed through the building principal.

SCHEDULES

Building Start Times

The high school will start first, beginning at 8:10. The middle school will start at 8:25, the AuSable Primary and Grayling Elementary 8:30.

First Day of School

Monday, August 29, 2005 - The first day of school will be a full day at all buildings. School will be in session for all students beginning Monday, August 29.

High School New Student Orientation

Wednesday, August 24, 2005 - Orientation for high school freshmen, sponsored by the student council, will be held from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Grayling High School.

Notice

Thursday, August 25, 2005 - All school offices will be closed from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. All school employees will be in general school district meetings.

Daily Time Schedules

High School

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1:05-1:15 (10 min.) passing 1;15-2;53 (98 min.) 6/7 Block

***First hour meets everyday. Green Days = 1, 2, 4, 6. White Days = 1, 3, 5, 7.

Middle School

Starting Time

7th Grade

8th Grade

Ending Time Lunch Schedule: 6th Grade 11:25 - 11:54

12:29 - 12:58

Grayling Elementary School and AuSable Primary

8:30 a.m. - 3:18 p.m.

2005 - 2006 Calendar

August 25-26, 2005 August 29 Sept. 2 & 5

Teacher Organizational Meetings School Opens for All Students Labor Day Vacation - NO SCHOOL

The School Calendar will not be complete until sometime in September, due to many factors. We apologize for this delay.

2005-2006 Bus Routes

Transportation Supervisor Bob Vollmer, Transportation Office. 344-3545

DOG - Old 27 6:45, Fletcher Rd. 6:50, 7 Mile 6:55, Military Rd. 7:00, 5 Mile 7:05, Williams Trail 7:11, Oak 7:15, East Beaver 7:31, Fox Rd 22, Deerfield Estates, 7:27, King Rd. 7:30, West Beaver 7:31, Margrethe Blvd, 7:45. MS/HS/MS/GE/AP.

ELEPHANT - 7 Mile 6:35, 4 Mile 6:45, Staley ake 6:51, Stephan Bridge 6:55, Shaw Park 7:12, Edgewater 7:20. Grayling Mobile Estates Pinecrest 7:32, MS/HS/MS/GE/AP.

ELMER FUDD - Vista 6:27, Bear Lake 6:36, Sherman 6:42, Babbitt 6:45, Peterson 6:51, Marker 6:51, White 7:05, Town Line 7:08, Peterson 7:13, Feldhauser 7:15, Roberts Rd., 7:29, Frederic School, HS 7:49, Airport Subdivision 7:51, MS/GE/AP.

FROG - Old 27 South of Waters Grosbeck 6:42, Roberts Rd. 6:48, Headwaters 6:53, Bradford Lake Hills 7:04, Twin Peaks T/A Mt. Frederic 7:18, 27 to Frederic 7:32, Frederic Park 7:43, HS/MS/GB/AP.

GARFIELD - Manistee River 6:50, M-72 7:04. Goose Creek Rd. 7:10. N. Forest Trail 7:18. River View: 7:20. Arrowhead 7:35. McIntyre Landing 7:40, Battalion 7:45, M-72

JACK-IN-THE -BOX - Wakeley Bridge/Twin Pine 6:50, North Down River 7:00, Spite 7:04, 7:23, Gienn Rd. 7:31; (senhener Rd. 7:36, Kern 7:40 Roberts Rd. 7:45, Lewiston Grade 7:48, HS/MS/GE/AP.

LION - Jones Lake/6-12 6:25, Old 6-12 6:33, Bald Hill 6:38, Jackpine Plains 6:53, Lovells Rd 6:58, Wynnewood 6:13, Chalet Circle 7:15, Timber Lane 7:20, North Down River Rd. to town 7:35, Grayling Mobile Estates 7:50, MS 7:55, **H\$/MS/GE/AP**.

MOUSE - AuSable Trail 7:00, Wendy Lane 7:14. Eagle Point 7:20, M-72 W/Maybelle 7:22, Old Lake Rd. 7:32, Richard 7:37, Atkinson 7:44, Clough Sub. 7:50, HS/MS/GE/AP.

PIG - Bobcat Trail 7:15, Peters Rd. 7:18, Jones Lake 7:20, Wilcox Bridge 7:30, Red Wing 7:37, Wilcox Bridge 7:42, M-93 Trailer Park 7:46, HS/MS/GE/AP.

RABBIT - Kolka Creek Rd. 7:15, Cameron Bridge Rd. 7:18, Hulbert Rd. 7:24, Kolka Creek Rd. 7:26, May Lake 7:36, Sand Hill 7:39, Batterson 7:43, Frederic Park 7:48, Frederic School 7:50, Wellington Way/Banbury 7:59, HS/MS/GE/AP.

TIGGER - M-72 Wakeley Bridge 7:10, Kelm Way 7:12, Horseshoe 7:13, Huckle Berry 7:17, M-72 to town 7:20, Thendera 7:24, Louie's Landing 7:29, Staley Lake 7:33, Industrial Park 7:38, Business Loop 7:44, MS/HS/MS/GE/AP.

WALRUS - S. Grayling Rd. 6:55, Dort 7:03, S. Oak 7:07, Fletcher 7:12, Oak 7:15, 7 Mile 7:18, S. Grayling 7:20, Old 27 7:22, 5 Mile 7:35, 11:57 - 12:26 MS/HS/MS/GE/AP.

> ZEBRA - Vilas 7:15, Evergreen 7:25, Pine Point Rd. 7:30, Old Dam 7:40, Little John 7:45, Robinhood 7:50, M-72 to town, HS/MS/GE/AP, Christian School.

Tammy Henning - 10:30 Mail Route All Buildings

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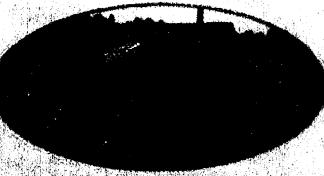
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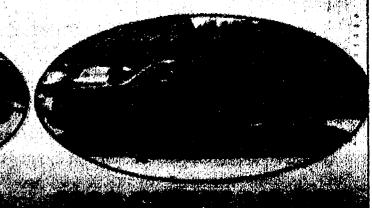
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GRA men's softball league ends year with double elimination tournament

Dubois Lumber team wins tournament, Dean & Aubry squad wins regular season

The Grayling Recreation Authority men's softball league ended its 2005 season with the tournament championship game

last Wednesday at Hanson Hills - a contest that pitted Dubois Lumber against Dean & Aubry Optometrists.

The double elimination tournament included all six GRA men's softball league teams: Dubois, Dean & Aubry, SMK, Kodiak Group, AJD, and American Legion.

Dean & Aubry won the regular season championship with a 15-1 record. Dubois finished second at 13-3, followed by Kodiak (11-9), SMK (10-10), AJD (3-13), and American

Dubois and Dean & Aubry earned byes for the first round of the tournament by finishing first and second in the regular

Legion (1-15).

In round one, Kodiak defeated American Legion and SMK posted a victory vs. AJD. In the second round, Dean & Aubry beat Kodiak and Dubois won against SMK. Dubois defeated Dean & Aubry to earn a place in the championship game.

In the second bracket, SMK advanced with a win vs. Legion

victory vs. AJD, trimming the

field to four teams. SMK won vs. Kodiak to keep its tournament run going. With three teams left, Dean & Aubry defeated SMK to set up a rematch between the league's tie, 0-2. top two teams.

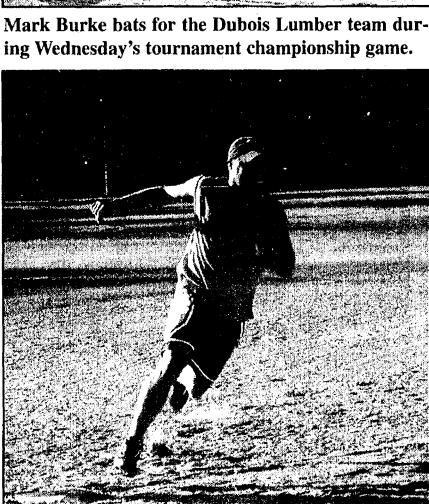
Last Wednesday, Dubois won the tournament's championship

and Kodiak stayed alive with a match in a high-scoring contest vs. Dean & Aubry. Final tournament placements and records include: Dubois, 1st, 3-0; Dean & Aubry, 2nd, 2-2; SMK, 3rd, 3-2: Kodiak, 4th, 2-2; AJD, 5thtie, 0-2; American Legion, 5th-

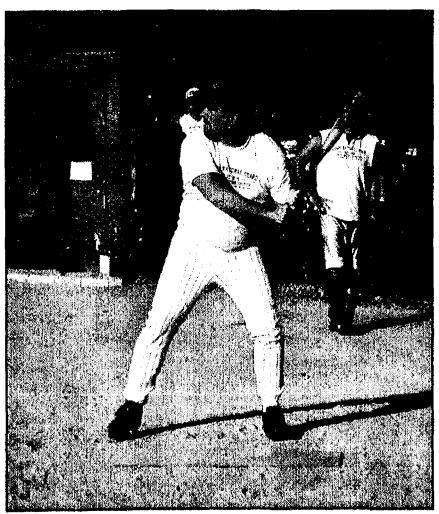
> For more photos from last week's tournament championship game, see Pages 2-3B.



ing Wednesday's tournament championship game.



Mike Kirmo of Dubois rounds third base on his way toward home plate.



Tom Barnes bats for the Dean & Aubry team on Wednesday.



Photos by Caleb Casey

Dubois Lumber, GRA men's softball league tournament winners: (front, L to R) Mark Burke, Troy McDonald, Dave Burr, Corey Derenzy; (back, L to R) Russ Dehart, Judd Helton, Mike Kirmo, Darrell Metzer, D.J. Metzer, Dustin Engstrom, Brad Ritter. Not pictured: Ryan Swope, Matt Bryant.



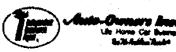
Dean & Aubry Optometrists, GRA men's softball league regular season winners: (front, L to R) Tom Barnes, Joel Mack, bat boy Thomas Barnes, Chad Ellis, Travis Hulbert; (back, L to R) Max Prosser, Chad Bonamie, Ray Pyle, Matt Mitchell, Jeremy Latuszek. Not pictured: Jake Helsel, Travis Helsel, Andy Strohpaul, Rob Aubry.

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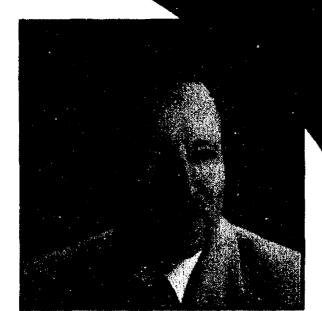
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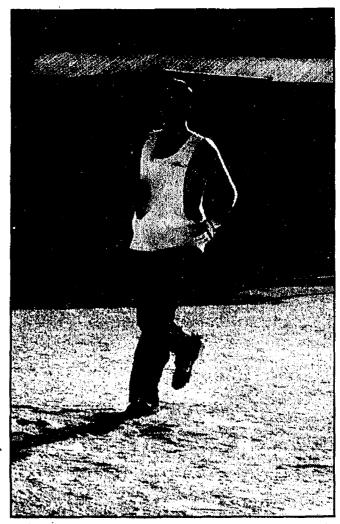
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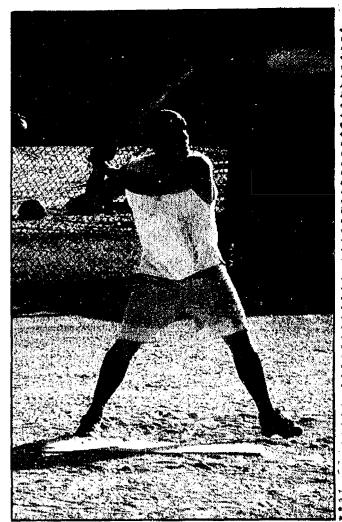
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GRA men's softball league ends year with double elimination tournament



Darrell Metzer pitches for Dubois Lumber in last Wednesday's game against Dean & Aubry at Hanson Hills. The contest was the championship game for the GRA men's softball league end-of-the-season tournament.





Chad Bonamie (left) scores a run and Chad Ellis (right) bats in last week's Dean & Aubry vs. Dubois Lumber men's softball game.

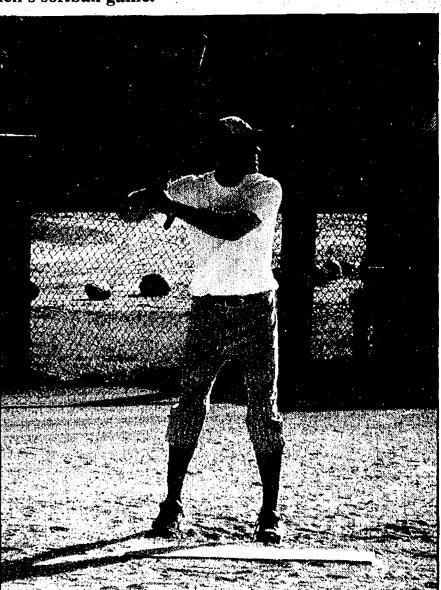


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Jeremy Latuszek of the Dean & Aubry team bats against Dubois.



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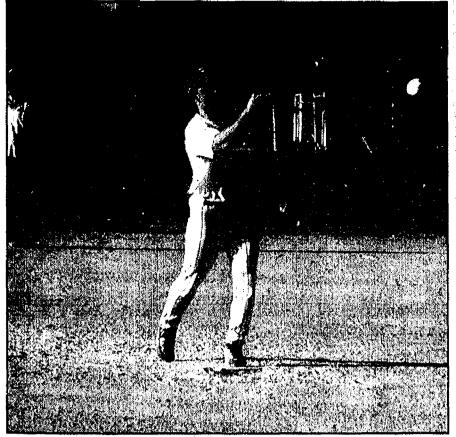
Dave Burr bats for the Dubois Lumber squad on Wednesday.

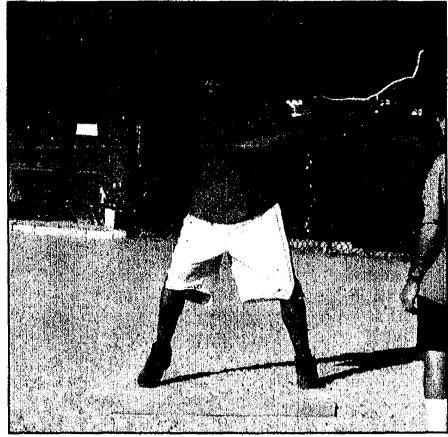
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Joel Mack (left) pitches for Dean & Aubry and D.J. Metzer (right) bats for Dubois Lumber on Wednesday in the GRA men's softball league tournament championship game at Hanson Hills.





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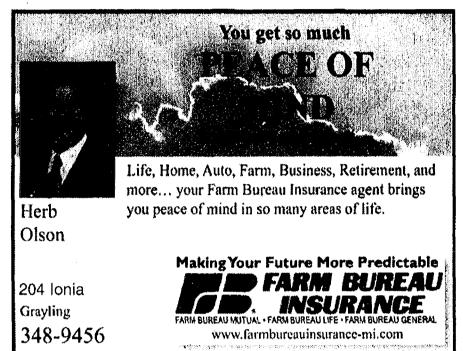
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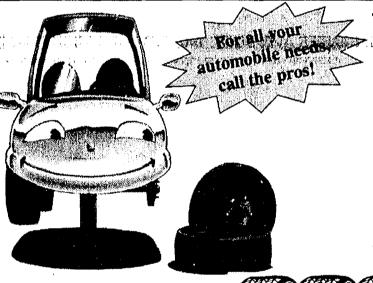
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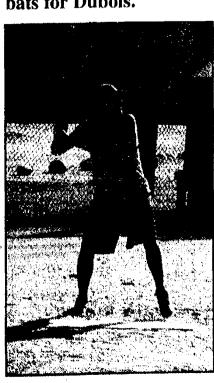
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Max Prosser (above) bats for Dean & Aubry and **Dustin Engstrom (below)** bats for Dubois.





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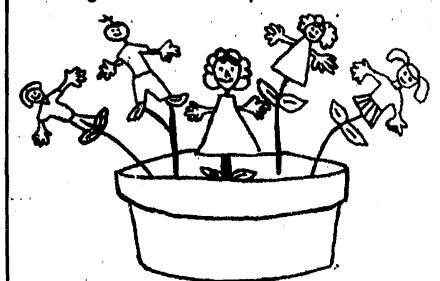
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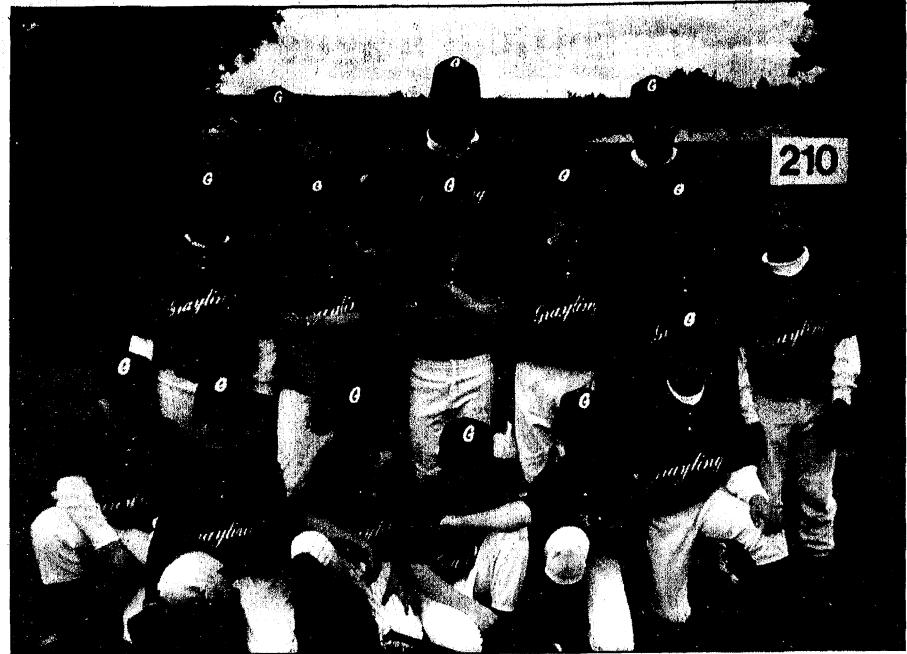


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Grayling Little League's intermediate division (9-10year-old) all-star team: (back, left to right) Head Coach Jerry Wells, Coach Bob Jensen, Coach Joe Smock; (middle, left to right) Joe Latusek, Nick Smock, Chris Phillips, Devon Dawson, Nick Wells, Ty Jenson; (front, left to right) Jeff Enos, Justice Juntilla, Zack Mack, Kevin Harris, Matt Burrell, and Mike Branch.

GRAYLING LITTLE

On July 1, Grayling Little that game 25-1. Grayling then League's intermediate (9-10year-old) all-star team lost its first tournament game to Roscommon, 7-6.

Grayling defeated Traverse City 4-3 on July 3 in its second game of the tournament. The win against Traverse City allowed Grayling to move to the second

In round two, Grayling played Boyne City on July 9 and won

advanced to the third round in Lewiston.

Grayling lost in the semifinals against Alpena 14-4, ending its all-star tournament run.

"It was nice to have so many people come out and cheer on the team. Grayling should be proud of these kids. They worked hard and gave their best on and off the field," Head Coach Jerry Wells said.

GRAYLING COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

by Donna Thomson Wednesday Ladies League

play was under overcast skies, but it wasn't a problem, as there closest to the pin on the third was no rain to dampen our day.

In Flight A, Jeanette Kitchen took it all with a low net of 33 and low putts of 12.

In Flight B, Balkis Shippy had a low net of 31 while Diana Doremire had low putts of 14.

In Flight C, Dorthea Carlson Dorthea Carlson. had a low net of 35 while Gloria Neilson had low putts of 11.

There were four chip-ins today: Sue Brenner on #1, Donna Thomson on #1, Sandy Winkle on #1, and Evie Kent on.

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tery holes were won by Jill Anderson for longest putt on #6, On Wednesday, August 10, our Lynda Hetrick for closest to the pin on #5, and Sandy Winkle for shot on #8. They received an

umbrella or insulated cup holder. The Wednesday Ladies League Handicap Tournament is now over and the winners were: Flight A - Connie Gates; Flight B - Nancy Glasslee; Flight C -

Our lunch was a pepper steak over rice with a roll and cream of mushroom soup.

Later, we all went out to either get in another round of golf or clean house, and I'm sure you know what I chose.

That's all "fore" now.







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Varsity football players practice on Monday, August 15. The Vikings began practicing on August 8 and play their first game of the season on Friday, August 26.

Practices, games begin for GHS fall sports teams

Varsity football opener to be played on Friday, August 26, at Grayling High School

The first day of school is a few days away, but fall sports teams have been practicing and the boys golf team has already played its first meet of the 2005 fall season.

Football teams started practicing on August 8 and girls basketball and boys soccer began their official practice sessions on Monday, August 15. The boys golf team played in its first meet of the season on August 15.

The varsity football team's 2005 season opener is only about one week away. The Vikings will kick off the year with a home game vs. Roscommon on Friday, August 26, at 7 p.m. at Viking Stadium. The team plays at Houghton Lake the following week, then opens league play in the Lake Michigan Conference with a home game against Elk Rapids on September 9. On September 16, the Vikings will host Harbor Springs for their homecoming game.

The junior varsity football team plays at Roscommon on Thursday, August 25, at 6 p.m. On Wednesday, August 31, the JV Vikings will host Houghton Lake at 6 p.m.

The GHS freshman, junior varsity, and varsity girls basketball teams will begin their 2005 season with a tripleheader vs. Roscommon at GHS on Monday, August 29, starting at 4:30 p.m. The Vikings will host Harbor Springs in their Lake Michigan Conference opener on September 6.

The boys golf team has two meets this week - including its season opener played on Monday at Grayling Country Club - and three meets next week. Next week's meets are all on the road.

The boys soccer team kicks off its 2005 season with a home game vs. Cheboygan on Monday, August 29, at 5 p.m. The Vikings play at Benzie Central on August 30. The team's first league game is scheduled for September 12 at Elk Rapids.

The varsity girls tennis team opens its 2005 campaign with a meet at Petoskey on Monday, August 29. On August 31, the Vikings will host Boyne City and Traverse City St. Francis at 4 p.m.



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GHS soccer players run a drill during their first day of practice on Monday, August 15.



Ronnie Johnston putts for Grayling during a golf meet at Grayling Country Club on Monday. The meet was the season opener for the Vikings. They play in three meets next week.



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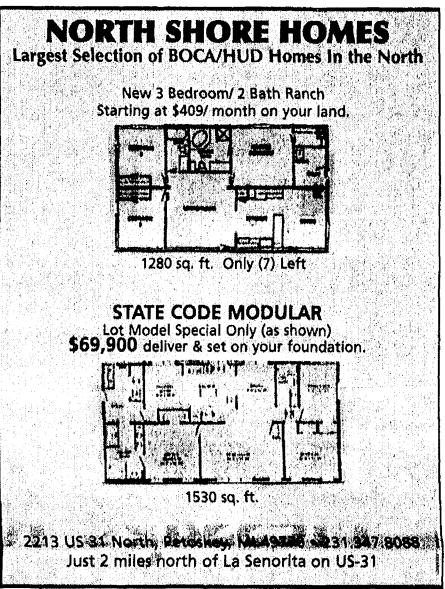
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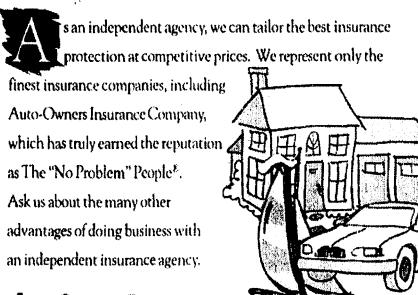
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Photos by Caleb Casey Ben Brock, head football coach at Grayling High School, talks with his players during a break at practice on Monday, August 15. The Vikings started practicing on August 8 and play their first game of the 2005 season on We offer the best prices August 26.



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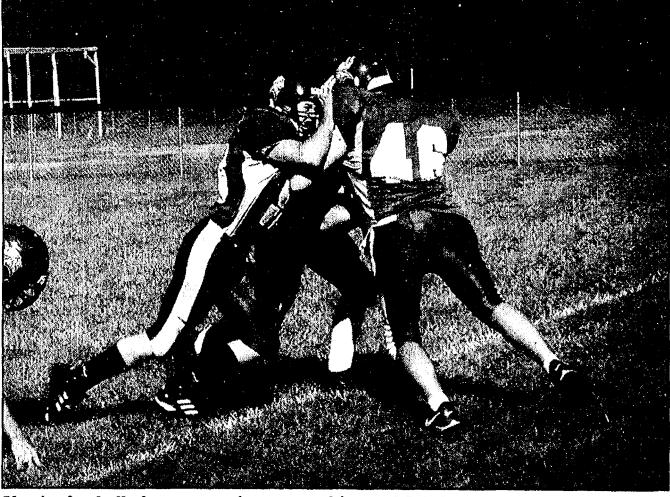
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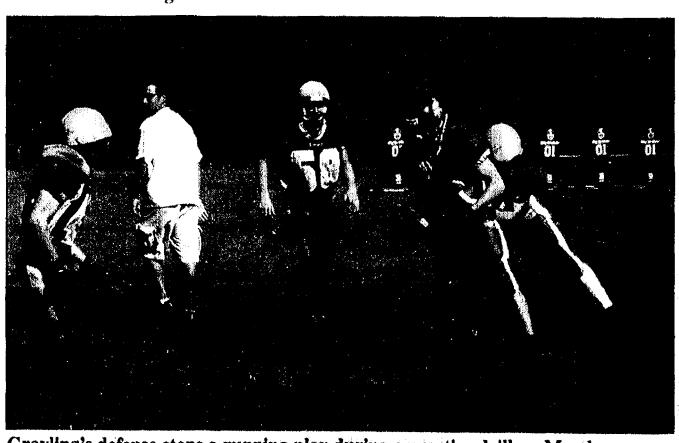
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Vikings prepare for 2005 football season

Viking linemen work on their blocking on the sled apparatus with Coach Tim



Varsity football players practice pass rushing and fighting through double teams at the line of scrimmage.



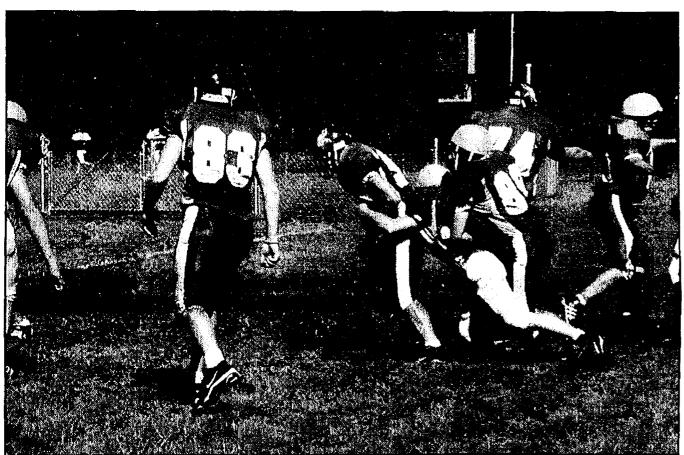
Grayling's defense stops a running play during a practice drill on Monday.



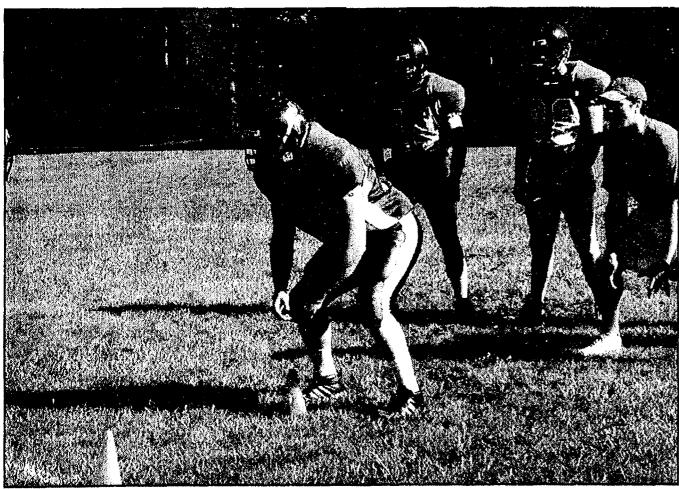
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Quarterback Bobby Starks lines up with the ball during an offensive drill at practice on Monday, August 15.

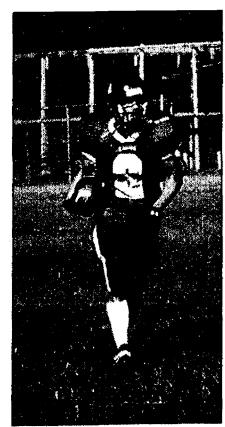
Vikings prepare for 2005 football season



Grayling High School's varsity football team runs the ball during practice on Monday. The Vikings have one full week of practice behind them and their season opener is scheduled for Friday, August 26, at 7 p.m. The Vikings will host the Roscommon Bucks.



Matt Larson practices proper stance at practice on Monday, August 15.



Reagan Schmidt returns a punt during a special teams drill on Monday.

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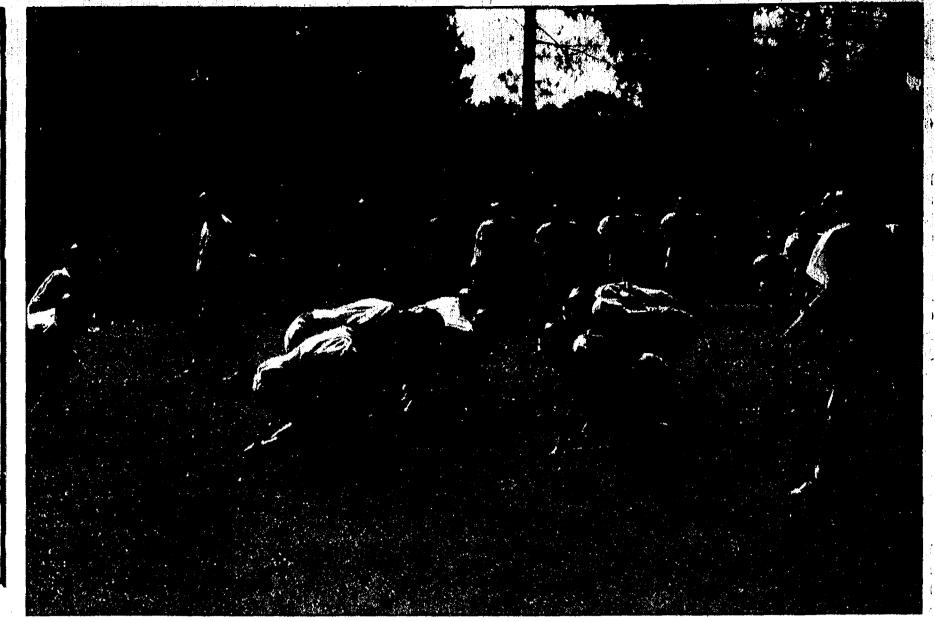


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The Grayling High School junior varsity football team runs an offense vs. defense drill on Monday, August 15. The Vikings open their 2005 season with a game at Roscommon on Thursday, August 25, at 6 p.m.



JV coach Chris Kucharek oversees a practice drill on Monday, August 15. The Vikings started practicing last week.



GRAYLING RECREATION AUTHORITY 2005 "CO-ED SOFTBALL" LEAGUE

YOU MUST BE 16 YEARS OLD BEFORE AUG. 23, 2005.

REGISTRATION: GAME LOCATION: **BEGINNING DATE:** FEE INCLUDES:

NAME

Team Fee: \$200.00, Ump Fee: \$100.00 = \$300.00 Hanson Hills Recreation Area - Softball Field

Tuesday, August 23rd @ 5:30 (DBH)

Umpire, Game Balls, Field Maintenance, 12 Games & Champion's Trophy.

Please fill out and return the form below to register for CO-ED Softball. **Grayling Recreation Authority** P.O. Box 361 Grayling, MI 49738

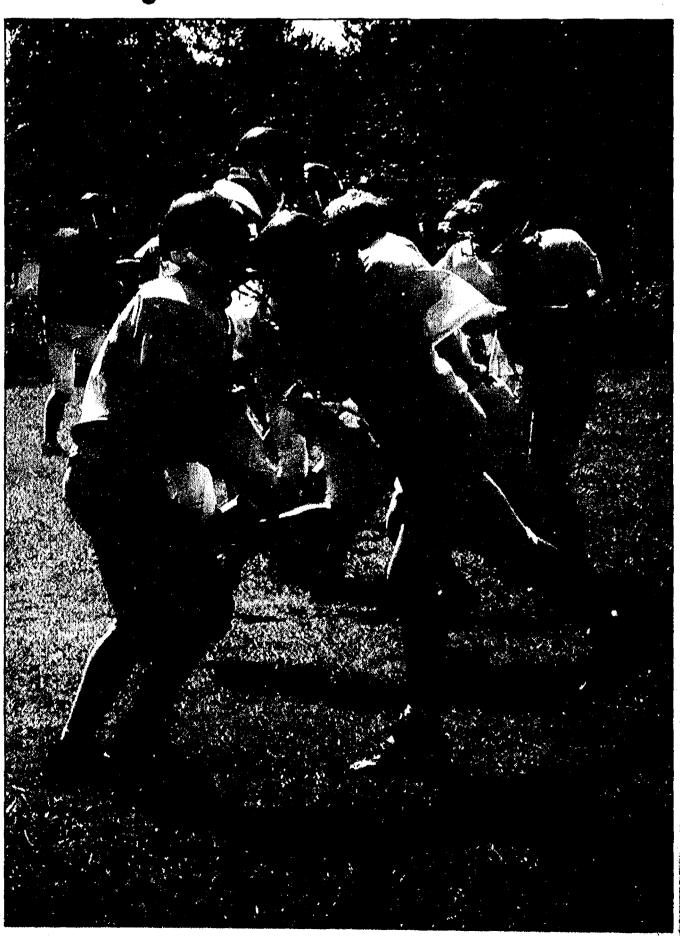
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Leigh McDougall - 348-9266

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JV football team gets ready for 2005 season



Photos by Caleb Casey

Junior varsity players practice hitting technique at practice on Monday.

Kirtland announces new athletic director, fifth sport

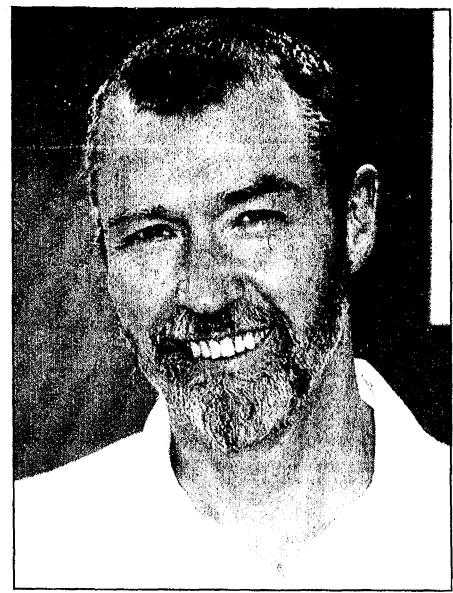
Kirtland Community College President Charles Rorie announces that Steve Oppy of Roscommon has been named to the post of college athletic director. He will oversee the athletic program as it enters its sixth season as a member of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association and the National Junior College Athletic Association.

Oppy has been employed by the college for 23 years, serving as a counselor/advisor. He has supported the athletic program since its inception and has been chairman of the Student Athletic Advisory Board for many years. He is a fixture at the home basketball games as well, and can usually be found at courtside, keeping game stats or helping where needed.

"I'm excited to be given this opportunity," Oppy said. "We have a wonderful core of people here who are dedicated to athletics and I look forward to working with them to make ours a firstclass program."

The position of athletic director was formerly combined with the position of the men's basketball coach, held by Glen Donahue. As the program grows, however, it becomes more complex and more likely to face issues.

Oppy enters the position at a time when the program is confronting several challenges. The MCCAA recently ruled that Kirtland's athletic program will be on probationary status this season. This means the Firebirds may participate in MCCAA contests during the regular season, but not during the post season, and season results will not be counted in the conference standings. The Firebirds will, however, be eligible to participate in the



Steve Oppy

NJCAA post-season tournament,

The probation was instated because two of the college's teams, namely its golf and cross country teams, did not participate in the minimum number of competitions during their seasons, as outlined by the association

"This was unfortunate," Oppy said. "One of the main goals I have this year is to get Kirtland off probation. In addition, we have to field a fifth sport this year, or face a second year of probation. We can't have that."

In order to become a member of the MCCAA, a college must what we offer next year. We're agree that it will develop its athletic program by a specific schedule. The program must begin with three sports - Kirtland

chose men's and women's basketball, and men's golf - then add at least one sport every two years until it fields a minimum of

Kirtland added a women's cross country team and had to add its fifth sport by Aug. 1.

The college recently made the decision to add men's cross country as its fifth sport and is now actively recruiting for all its

"It's a challenge," Oppy said. "The variety of teams we're offering this year may not be trying to find out what the best fit for KCC is and to make sure it is aligned to our mission and vision for the college."

Fox Run Country Club News

Run Country Club hosted a local qualifier for the Buick Scramble - a national golf tournament held at various courses around the United States.

Teams that win local qualifiers move on to the regional finals. Regional winners advance to the national championships held in Orlando, Florida. Golfer Tiger Woods is scheduled to be in Orlando to present the trophy to the winning team.

On Sunday, the team of Ron Fraser, Tom Hunt, Al Zigila, and Bill Klinger won on the first hole of a three-way playoff with Mike Brown, Dave Delay, Lynn Hutchinson, and Steve Stuck and Chad Zimmerman, Chris Anthes, Mike Campbell, and Jason Anthes.

Fraser sunk a 15-foot putt from the fringe for birdie to win the playoff.

Scheer Motors, sponsor of the local qualifying tournament, is also going to sponsor the win-

On Sunday, August 14, Fox ning team's entry fee for the launched nation-wide to promote regional finals.

> Kyle McQueen, 12, and Clay Jaskowski, 6, won first place in the season-ending junior golf tournament last Thursday. The tournament marked the end of a six-week junior golf program held at Fox Run.

> Local golfers Patti Hawkins, Cheryl Melroy, Kim Schmidt, Karen Leslie, Dawn Feldhauser, and Milli Haug all played in Fox Run Country Club's Play Golf America Program, a program

new golfers to the game and provide in-depth instruction on everything from making a tee time to swinging the clubs.

Todd Jansen shot a hole-in-one on hole #15 (185 yards). It was his second hole-in-one on the same hole. Golf course superintendent Mike Brown also shot his second hole-in-one on #5 (155 yards).

Ron Hall scored an eagle from 120 yards out during men's league play. It was his first eagle

FALL REGISTRATION REMINDER August 22nd-26th

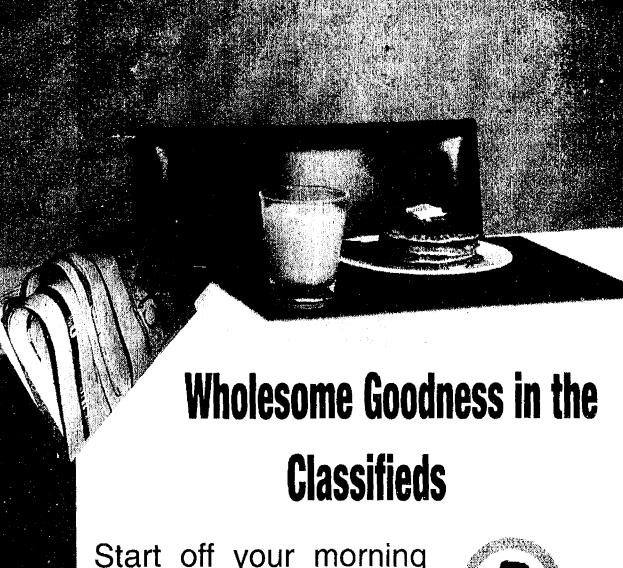


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LEGAL ACTION

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLEC-TOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the forcelosing mortgagec. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the

CITY OF GRAYLING **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Any person desiring to become a non-partisan candidate for the Gravling City Council in the November 8, 2005 City Election must file a petition with the City Clerk, 1020 City Boulevard, Grayling, Michigan no later than 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 6, 2005.

The petition must be signed personally by no less than 20 or more than 40 registered electors of the City of Grayling.

The offices to be filled by election are: Two City Council Members with a four-year term.

Blank petitions are available at the City Office.

Michele A. Moshler City Clerk.

bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jerry Mitchell and Barbara J. Mitchell, Husband and Wife, original mortgagor(s), to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated October 17, 2003, and recorded on October 30, 2003 in Liber 657 on Page 158, in Crawford County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee of Ameriquest Mortgage Securities, Inc., Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2003-13 under the Pooling & Servicing Agreement dated December 1, 2003, without recourse as assignee by an assignment, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Six Thousand Three Hundred Fifteen And 53/100 Dollars (\$66,315.53), including interest at 10.6%

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given Containing 2.5 Acres of land more or less.

later than August 31, 2005.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Grayling Pines / Whispering Pines Apartments is currently

accepting blds for 2005 Winter Snowplowing. Please mail bids

to: 595 Meadows Drive, Grayling, MI 49738; Attn: Peggy, no

that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on September 14,

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of the southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 11, Town 28 North, Range 4 West Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan; commencing at the Northwest corner of said Section 11; thence South 0 Degrees 29 Minutes 40 Seconds West (along the Southeast line of said Section 11); 2550.15 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 89 Degrees 51 Minutes 40 Seconds East 946.04 feet; thence South 10 Degrees 36 minutes East, 114.5 feet; thence South 89 Degrees 51 Minutes 40 Seconds West; 968.15 feet to the West line of said Section 11; thence North 0 Degrees 29 Minutes 40 Seconds East, 112.5 feet to the point of beginning:

Creek with full riparian rights thereto: This parcel is subject to and use of road easements as recorded in book 156 Page 318. Part of the West 1/2 of Section 11, Town 28 North, Range 4 West Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan; commencing at the North West corner of said Section 11; thence South 50 Degrees 29 Minutes 40 Seconds West (along the West line of said Section 11); 2662.65 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 89 Degrees 51 Minutes 40 Seconds East, 968.15 feet; thence South 35 Degrees 41 Seconds East; 424.5 feet; thence South 73 Degrees 14 minutes 40 Seconds West, 209.0 Feet; thence North 89 Degrees 51 Minutes 40 Seconds West, 1019.1 feet to the West line of said Section 11; thence North 0 Degrees 29 Minutes 40 Seconds East, 405 feet to the point of beginning: Containing 10.2 Acres: This parcel runs to the Centerline thereto: This parcel is subject to and use of road casements as recorded in Book 156, Page 318. Excepting that Part of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one quarter of Section 11, town 28 North, Range 4 west, described as: commencing at the Northwest corner of said Section 11; thence South 00 Degrees 25 Minutes 39 Seconds West, along the West line of said Section, 2549.93 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 89 Degrees 56

This parcel runs to the centerline of Kolka

Minutes 51 Seconds East 872.32 feet; thence South 09 Degrees 56 Minutes 07 Seconds East, 114,45 feet; thence North 89 Degrees 54 Minutes 54 Seconds West, 892.91 feet to the West line of said Section 11; thence North 00 Degrees 25 Minutes 39 Seconds East, along West line 112.21 feet to the point of beginning. Contains 2.2 Acres more or less.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 11, 2005 For more information, please call: FC H 248,593,1300

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee of Ameriquest Mortgage Securities, Inc., Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2003of Kolka Creek with full Riparian firths 13 under the Pooling & Servicing Agreement dated December 1, 2003, without recourse

30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200 Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822 File #062527F01

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LEGAL ACTION NOTICE OF

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Grayling City Council will hold a public hearing to receive public comment concerning proposed amendments to the Sign Ordinance as follows:

SECTION 2: GENERAL PROVISIONS

No sign may be posted on any utility pole or within the public right of way.

Any non-conforming, temporary sign may be removed by the City after 48 hours of notification to the owner or occupant of the sign or property owner of the property on which the sign is

The public hearing will allow residents and property owners in the City of Grayling to make comments regarding the proposed

The public hearing will be held on Monday August 29, 2005, at 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers at the Grayling City Hall, located at 1020 City Boulevard, Grayling, Michigan.

All interested persons are invited to attend this public hearing. A copy of the Current Ordinance can be viewed at the City offices at 1020 City Boulevard during regular business hours Monday -Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or on the website at www.cityofgrayling.org under "Ordinances"

Michele Moshler, City Clerk

SUNSHINE PROJECT USDA - FOREST SERVICE, HURON - MANISTEE NATIONAL FORESTS MIO RANGER DISTRICT

The Mio Ranger District is proposing to implement the Sunshine Project. The Sunshine Project is located on National Forest system lands on the northwest corner of F 97 and Hwy 72, approximately 7 miles west of Luzerne. The project area includes sections 8, 9, 10, 15, 17, 17, 20, 21, 22, 27, and 28 of Township 26 North, Range 1 West in Crawford County, Michigan. The substantially complete chapters 1 and 2 of the Environmental Assessment for this project are available at the Mio Ranger District www.fs.fed.us/r9/hmnf/pages/proposed projects.

The Responsible Official is leaning towards Alternative 2, which includes the following actions: 1) Thin approximately 1233 acres of red pine plantation to improve growth on the remaining trees and to reduce hazardous fuels. Of this, approximately 310 acres of red pine in old growth would be thinned to promote old growth characteristics within the plantation. Approximately 1036 acres would be underburned to reduce additional hazardous fuels.; 2) Harvest and regenerate approximately 234 acres of overmature jack pine stands.; 3) Harvest by clearcutting and regenerate approximately 102 acres of mature aspen; 4) Harvest and restore approximately 91 acres of barrens within old growth; 5) Create and improve approximately 78 acres of openings for wildlife by setting back existing vegetation by handcutting, mechanical means of prescribed burning: 6) Create and maintain approximately 47 acres of partially shaded fuel breaks by removing existing vegetation by commercial timber sale, handcutting mechanical means, and/or prescribed burning; 7) Brush 9.7 miles of road along the arterial escape routes; 8) Reduce open road density by closing approximately 12.5 miles of two-track roads that have been determined not needed for public transportation or management purposes in the Sunshine Roads Analysis; and 9) Construct temporary roads and associated landings to remove forest products. These roads would be closed when harvest activities are completed and the landings would be rehabilitated.

The environmental assessment has not been completed, and no decision has been made. Comments on the Sunshine proposal are requested at this time because substantive comments received early in the analysis allow for the greatest opportunity to consider them in the decision.

This 30-day comment period provides the final pre-decisional opportunity for public review of these proposed actions and the substantially complete chapters 1 and 2 of the environmental analysis. Comments must be received or post marked within 30 days of the date this notice is published, in the Oscoda Herald. In order to have standing to appeal a decision under 36 CFR 215, you must submit substantive comments during the 30-day formal comment period. Substantive comments are defined as comments that are within the scope of the proposed action, are specific to the proposed action, have direct relationship to the proposed action and include supporting reasons for the Responsible Officer to consider. Comments will be considered by District Ranger, Steven A. Goldman in reaching a final decision. Mr. Goldman may be reached at the Mio Ranger Station, 401 N. Court St., Mio, MI 48647 (M-F, 8-4:30), or by phone at 989-826-3252. E-mail comments to comments-eastern-huronmanistee-mio@fs.fed.us (E-mail attachments must be readable by MS Office 2000 or Adobe Acrobat 5.0). Include (1) name, address, telephone number, name of organization represented and title, (2) title of document on which the comment is being submitted (Sunshine Project), and (3) specific facts and supporting reasons that you believe we should consider in reaching a final decision. In order to have standing to appeal this decision under 36 CFR 215, you must have submitted comments or otherwise expressed interest in this proposal prior to the close of the 30-day formal comment period.

Copies of the final decision (Decision Notice) will be mailed to people who submit comments, or who request a copy during or before the comment period.

For appeal eligibility, each individual or representative from each organization submitting substantive comments must either sign the comments or verify identity upon request. Only those who submit timely and substantive comments will be accepted as appellants.

MORTGAGE **FORECLOSURE** SALE BY **ADVERTISEMENT**

THE PREPARER OF THIS NOTICE IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Jamesina P. Vettraino, fka Jamesina P. Bardoni, a single woman, of 2249 E. Pioneer, Roscommon, MI 48653, Mortgagor, to Firstbank West Branch, Mortgagee, dated May 5, 2003, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, on the 16th day of May, 2005, at Liber 634, Pages 420-434, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of the notice for principal and interest the sum of Thirty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Nine and 26/100 (\$39,729.26) Dollars,

As no suit or other legal proceedings have been filed to recover the debt secured by the mortgage; Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage, and pursuant to the statutes of the State of Michigan; NOTICE is hereby given that on Wednesday, the 7th day of September, 2005, at 10:00 a.m., the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction to the highest bidder, at the door on the north side of the County Courthouse in Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, of that premises described in the mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the

total amount due on the mortgage, with interest at seven point nine five (7.95%) percent per annum and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sums which may be paid by the Mortgagee to protect its interest in the mortgaged prem-

ises described as follows... Lots 741 & 742, Indian Glens of the Au-Sable No. 6, as recorded in Liber 5 of Plats, Pages 1-14, Crawford County Records, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

Tax Parcel No: 20-064-400-000-

741 & 742-00 10863 & 10883 Street Address: Wagner, Roscommon, MI

The redemption period pursuant to MCLA 600.3241(A) shall be thirty days (30) from the date of the sale. During the thirty (30) days immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, unless the mortgagor or anyone claiming under the mortgagor shall comply with the provisions of 1948 MCLA 600.3241a (c), in which case the property may be redeemed during the six (6) months immediately following the sale. The property may be redeemed by paying the amount of the bid at the foreclosure sale plus interest, any unpaid encumbrances on the property, and any advances paid by the Mortgagee. For additional information, contact Danny Gallagher, Firstbank West Branch, 502 W. Houghton Ave., PO Box 335, West Branch, Michigan 48661, or the preparer of this Notice. Dated: July 21, 2005

MORTGAGEE: Firstbank West Branch 502 W. Houghton; PO Box 335 West Branch, MI 48661 Prepared by:

CRAWFORD COUNTY GRAYLING RECREATION AUTHORITY BOARD POSITION

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners are presently accepting applications for the Grayling Recreation Authority Board.

Applicants are required to be county residents and to help facilitate parks and recreation services in Crawford County as well as to operate and maintain Hanson Hills Recreation Area and Winter Sports Park and the Grayling Fish Hatchery. Applications can be obtained from and submitted to County Clerk Sandra Moore by Wednesday, August 26th, 2005 at 3:30 P.M. or may be obtained on line thru www.crawfordco.org and returned to Crawford County Clerk 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738

Sandra Moore, County Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Grayling City Council will hold a public hearing to receive public comment concerning the following amendments to the zoning ordinance as it relates to animals and kennels:

All dogs, over 4 months of age, kept in the City must have a dog license.

Definitions: Strike definitions for Dog Kennel and Commercial

Add definition for:

Kennel: Any Place where dogs, cats and/or other household animals are housed, bred, or cared for commercially and which is not a licensed veterinary hospital, pet shop or any place where more than one litter of dogs are sold in any one year.

Section 3.09 - PETS AND OTHER ANIMALS

Domestic household pets, including dogs, cats, birds and fish, but not including livestock, poisonous or dangerous reptiles, wild or dangerous animals, may be kept as an accessory residential use on any premises without a kennel license. No residential premises may have more than 5 dogs, (older than 4 months) at any time.

Special Use

Add kennels as a special use in C-3 and I districts.

Section 7.06 - STANDARDS FOR SPECIFIC SPECIAL USES

E. KENNELS AND VETERINARY HOSPITALS All kennels and veterinary hospitals shall be operated in

conformity with all pertinent county and state regulations. Buildings where animals are kept, animal runs and/or exercise areas shall not be located nearer than fifty (50) feet of

any occupied dwelling or any adjacent building used by the public, and shall not be located in any required setback areas. The public hearing will allow residents and property owners in the City of Grayling to make comments regarding the proposed

The public hearing will be held on Monday August 29, 2005, at 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers at the Grayling City Hall, located at 1020 City Boulevard, Grayling, Michigan.

All interested persons are invited to attend this public hearing. A copy of the Current Ordinance can be viewed at the City offices at 1020 City Boulevard during regular business hours Monday -Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or on the website at www.cityofgrayling.org under "Ordinances".

Michele Moshler City Clerk

amendment.

JUÁREZ & JUÁREZ, PC Attorneys for Mortgagee 132 South Bighth, West Branch, MI (989) 345-0601

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Foreclosure Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLEC-

TOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MIL-ITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Timberview Village, Inc., a Michigan Corporation, to First National Bank of Michigan, mortgagee, dated March 25, 1997 and record-. ed April 1, 1997 in Liber 427, Page 325, Crawford County Records. Said mortgage is now held by US Bank National Association as Trustee for the CSFB Trust 2004-CF2 by assignment submitted to and recorded by the Crawford County Register of Deeds. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Nine and 45/100 Dollars (\$126,789.45) including interest at the rate of 10.95% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on September 21, 2005. The premises are located in the Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: All that part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 lying East of US-HWY 27, except the North 982.71 feet thereof, Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West. Also the West 328 feet of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4, except the North 982.71 feet thereof Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West. The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale. Dated: August 18, 2005 ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC Attorneys for US Bank National Association as Trustee for the CSFB Trust 2004-CF2, As Assignee P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 457-1000 File No. 269.1019 ASAP717019 08/18, 08/25, 09/01, 09/08

-18-25-1-8

Foreclosure Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLEC-TOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MIL-ITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Matthew R. Morrissette and Jennifer Morrissette, husband and wife, to Option One Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, mortgagee, dated June 18, 2003 and recorded June 20, 2003 in Liber 640, Page 159, Crawford County Records. Said mortgage is now held by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2003-5 Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2003-5 by assignment submitted to and recorded by the Crawford County Register of Deeds. There is claimed to be due on such mortgage the sum of Seventy-Five Thousand Six Hundred Eighteen and 88/100 Dollars

(\$75,618.88) including interest at the rate of 8.75% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on August 31, 2005. The premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 13 North Park Subdivision Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 64 Crawford County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. TO ALL PUR-CHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale. Dated: July 28, 2005 ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC Attorneys for Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2003-5 Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2003-5, As Assignee P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 (248) 457-1000 File No. 221.2403 ASAP712660 07/28, 08/04, 08/11, 08/18

-28-4-11-18 STATE OF MICHIGAN CIRCUIT COURT SALE

200 WEST MICHIGAN AVENUE **GRAYLING, MICHIGAN 49738** 989-348-2841

Case No. 02-5764-CH

In pursuance and by virtue of a Judgment of the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, made and entered on the 11th day of March, A.D., 2004, in a certain cause therein pending, wherein COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOAN as Servicer, on behalf of WELLS FARGO MINNESOTA, N.A., as Trustee for the DELTA FUNDING HEL TRUST, was the Plaintiff, and CHRISTOPHER S. DUNCKLEY, and LEE ANN DUNCK-LEY, were the Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for Crawford County is held), on the 14th day of SEP-TEMBER, A.D., 2005 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, Local Time, the following

All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford and State of Michigan described as follows:

Commencing at the SE Corner of the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 7, T26N, R2W; thence 14 rods West to the Point of Beginning; thence West 6 rods; thence North 80 rods; thence East 6 rods; thence South 80 rods to the Point of the Beginning.

More commonly known as 623 East M-72, Grayling, MI 49738 ("Subject Property").

This property may be redeemed during the six (6) months following the sale. Dated: July 28, 2005 KIRK WAKEFIELD, Sheriff

TROTT & TROTT, P.C. By: Richard J. Klamka, P62145 Attorneys for Plaintiff 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 (248) 593-0496 T&T #200129083 (7-28)(9-8)

-28-4-11-18-25-1-8

PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN **300 FEET NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

A Public Hearing of the Crawford County Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Thursday, August 25, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in the Circuit Court Room of the County Building.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to hear comments on:

Case #PB050162

Petitioner

Request variance from section #20.42 and section #2.02 definitions. Application request to allow a (13) year old unit with no cross section Renee Forbes P.O. Box 534

The above case refers to the following described property:

Roscommon, MI 48653

11767 E. Roberta Dr. Roscommon, MI 48653 South Branch

Township: Property Code: 064-500-000-005-00 **Zoning District:** LDR

All documents are available for review at, and comments should

Crawford County Building & Zoning Department 200 W. Michigan Ave. - Annex Building Grayling, MI 49738

Joseph Duran

Director

be sent to:



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BEATURES

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



August 19, 1982 - Duane "Ace" Worden, representing the Grayling Booster Club, hands Mick McNamara, of the Grayling Little League, a check for \$2,000. The money will be used to help pay for six new field lights worth \$5,500 installed at the Little League field.

23 Years Ago August 19, 1982

Lovells Township residents have locked horns with the DNR demanding the state agency follow their local zoning laws when authorizing clear-cutting in the township. In a meeting Friday with the DNR about 40 Lovells Township residents presented three demands for the DNR, to leave a 400-foot buffer zone along lakes and streams, a 200 ft. strip along county and other roads leading to

ting. Beaver Creek voters approved starting their own fire department by nearly a 2-1 vote last week and

private homes, and a 200-ft. strip

by private property when clear-cut-

ship as the ground work is laid for the new department.

The 1981-82 bowling season proved to be a good one for Shawn Denton, 12 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Denton Jr. of Grayling, when she finished the year by taking second place in the Michigan Youth Bowling Association "State Singles" tournament in the Prep Girls Division. Shawn competed with girls all over the state at the tournament held in Westland where she totaled a series of 641, enough to earn her a second place title.

46 Years Ago August 20, 1959

Smiggens swept to the 1959 regular season championship last week now all systems are go in the town- in the Crawford County Softball founding of their parish. Historical

League. While the champs were sweeping both their games, their two nearest challengers went down to double losses. The 15-3 record compiled by the winners matches the record of Millikin's winners of

Grayling's newest store, the Shoemaker J. and J. Stores, Inc., opened for business last Saturday in the brand new building constructed at the corner of Michigan and Cedar. The building is owned by James Olson of Clare and was constructed on the site of the old building which was used to house the B-C-D Co.

On Monday noon of this week, the United States House of Representatives by unanimous vote passed H. R. Bill 65 which transfers the Grayling McNamara Air Base from the Federal Government to the State of Michigan. The Michigan National Guard would take title to the air base property for the State of Michigan through the Military Establishment when the bill clears the Senate and receives approval by the President. The Guard has plans for extensive improvements and new additions at the base once the title is given to the state.

69 Years Ago August 20, 1936

Forest fires that started Thursday burned over an acre of some 500 acres about five miles west of Frederic. That night and Friday it got to threatening degrees and had the populace of Frederic frightened. CCC men and others aided in

control Monday. However the woods are still smoldering. The parishioners of St. Mary's Church on August 15th commemorated the Fiftieth Anniversary of the

fighting it and it was gotten under

records reveal that a Jesuit Father, Rev. Julius Schulack, visited Grayling at stated periods and it was he who in 1886 undertook the task of directing the erection of the frame building to be known as St. Mary's Church. Fr. Schulack remained in charge until Sept. 15. 1887, when he was succeeded by Rev. Aloysius Webeler.

Frank Barnett says that at the last meeting of the Board of County Road Commissioners a resolution was passed approving the improvement of the road running in back of the cottages on Lake Margrethe.

Last week, Thursday, a meeting was held at the offices of Kerry & Hanson Flooring Co. at which time formal completion plans for the incorporation of the Kerry & Hanson Lumber Company were made. Inasmuch as there are only three flooring mills operating in the southern peninsula, where there were formerly 14, the officers regard the continuance of the local plant as quite an achievement.

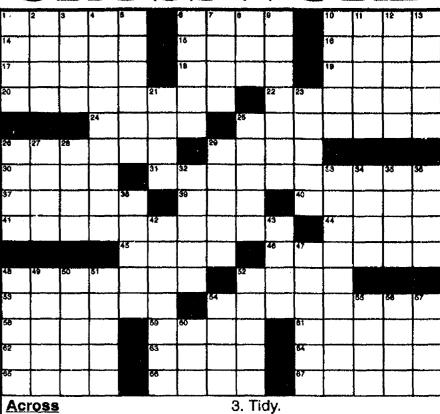
Main Street between the pavement and curb is now covered with tarvia. The old dust area that was the cause to stocks and fixtures in downtown stores becoming damaged by dirt and dust is now a thing of the past. Michigan Avenue too was given a treatment of hot tarvia, from the jail corner to the fish hatchery corner. And Maple Street for two blocks each side of Michigan Avenue has been given the same treatment.

92 Years Ago August 21, 1913

Clyde Hum is the new soda fountain clerk at Olsen's drug store.

Seeley Wakeley landed a rainbow trout one day last week that weighed six and three-fourths pounds and measured twenty-six

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Blanket used as a cloak.

Partial; incomplete. 10. Not bad.

14. Best of its kind.

Hodgepodge. 16. Step below soprano.

17. Respond to a stimulus.

18. Addict.

19. Ceremonial act. 20. Protagonist lacking heroic qualities.

22. Waiter.

24. Afternoon receptions.

25. Diane and Forrest. 26. Central sports rings.

29. Japanese for "snow."

30. Not all.

31. Selfish. 37. Out of proper order.

39. Miss Brooks.

40. _ Kelly, U.S. actress.

41. Persisted in.

44. Employed.

45. Organs of hearing.

46. Arched, roofed-in gallery.

48. Decorative pillars. 52. Place; stead.

53. Pass by.

54. Unfounded.

58. Skin; flesh. 59. Messy person.

61. Jules ___ French writer. 62. Spleen.

63. Gilbert or Rue. 64. Happen afterwards.

65. Scythe handle.

66. Verily; truly. 67. Adult male deer.

Down 1. Nair or Sorvino.

2. Largest Yemen city.

father.

51. Set on end.

Maldives.

54. Make a hole in. 55. Greek goddess of dew.

52. Leah and Rachel's

4. State of being unvoiced.

10. Moore or Shandling.

13. Amusing characters.

21. Freedom from worry.

23. J.R. and Sue Ellen _.

26. As soon as possible.

28. Independent ruler or

29. Ours, _ and Mine.

32. Those who leave.

33. Fierce; cruel.

36. Grant by treaty.

43. Raised platform.

38. Appears to be true.

42. Redgrave or Williams.

47. Keanu _, U.S. actor.

48. Small prison rooms.

50 Monetary unit of the

49. Oily, yellow liquid in fats.

34. Tabula _.

35. Frosted.

25. Monetary unit of

27. Italian capital.

12. Aquatic weasel-like ani-

11. Yellowish-green.

5. Rose of Sharon.

6. Time worked.

7. Likewise; too.

8. Untruth.

9. Give up.

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56. Close-fitting.

57. Views.

60. Hasty escape.

ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

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The "Driving Into the Future" yellow medallion campaign will continue to raise funds

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RECIPE OF THE WEEK

1-1/2 lb. tomatoes, chopped 1 cup fresh corn kernels 1/4 cup finely chopped red onions

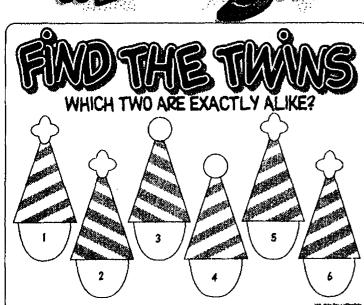
ADD dressing; mix lightly.

1/4 cup chopped cliantro or fresh parsley 1 medium jalapeño pepper, chopped 1/4 cup Italian Dressing

COMBINE all ingredients except dressing in large bowl.

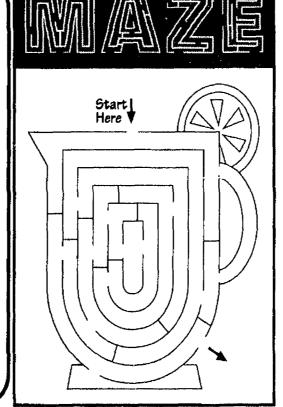
Fresh Corn Salsa





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The almond is a member of the peach family.





Pay attention,

Taurus. A relative

s in distress and is

crying out for help,

but you've been too

busy to notice. Do

something now

before it's too late.



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A young friend pulls off the impossible. Take them out to celebrate. Sparks of passion fly at home and romance burns bright.

Your financial savvy

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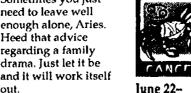
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March 21-April 19



June 22-July 22

Your personal problems are starting to affect your performance at work. Get your act together before your supervisor finds out what is going on.

Your carefree nature

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pile up. Don't be the family maid. Dole out the responsibilities and take some time for yourself. You leserve it.

(ahoo, Scorpio!

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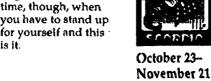
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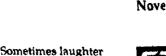
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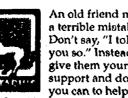
romance deepens.

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September 23-October 22







An old friend makes a terrible mistake. Don't say, "I told you so." Instead, give them your full support and do what

December 21

you can to help them get out of the mess.

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WEATHER Courtesy of the City of Grayling



Travel plans are put on hold, as a deadline at work is moved up. Don't let it get to you. You will get to your destination eventually and the wait will be worth it.



April 20-

May 20

Heave-ho, Gemini. You've finished your part of the project and it's time to move on. The rest is up to your team members. A financial oversight puts you in hot water.



August 22

Virgo. Use it to help a confidante get through a rough patch. Unexpected treasures make life worthwhile. September 22



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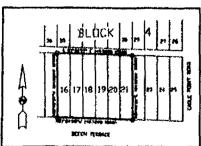


BUSINESS/OFFICE fronting Michigan Avenue. Spotless 2,082 sq. ft., 5 bedroom, 2 bath, family home with full partially finished basement, spacious kitchen, formal dining room, and laundry on main level. 20x24 detached garage, enclosed front porch, large covered dack and fenced yard. 60x120 adjacent lot with garage fronting Maple Street available for \$21,500. Home purchaser shall have first right to purchase. \$137,500 CH-2184

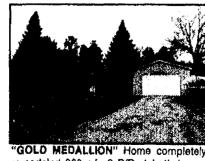




165' ON THE EAST BRANCH OF THE AUSABLE RIVER. Handyman special sits 50' from the river's edge with picturesque setting offering 2.5 acres. Cathedral ceiling in family room with 2 skylights, brick fireplace, detached garage with extra slab for addition and vinyl shed. Cement patio with stone design into entrance of cottage. CS-1872 \$120,000



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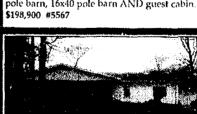


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Pretty 4 bedroom, 3 bath, 1,792 sq. ft.

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views of this 228 acre all-sport lake. 26x40

garage, 10x16 shed and storage building down at the lake front for boating sup-

plies. \$249,000 #5568

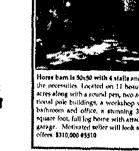
Nice cabin, in remote but accessible location, near Kneff Lake. Property adjoins an abundance of State land to the west for hunting and recreation. As owner of this property you could snowmobile out your



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large corner lot with

#240452

mature trees.

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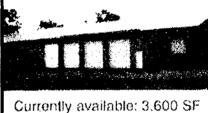
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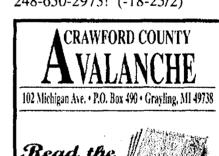
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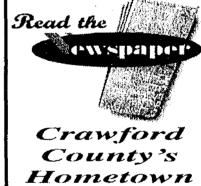
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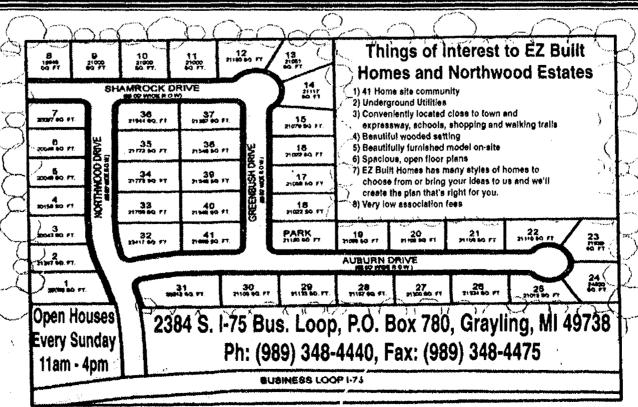
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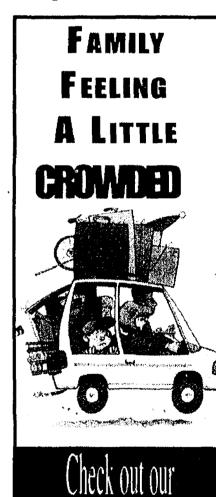
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> Fairview Area Schools Fairview, Michigan

JOB POSTING August 4, 2005

7-12 Special Education Teacher - Half-Time Position This position would entail working with 7-12th grade students in the Fairview Area Schools. The teacher would be working with the building principal, staff, students and parents. The position also requires dealing with students as individuals, transition and in small groups.

Qualifications:

- A. Minimum of BS / BA degree.
- B. Possess or eligible for a valid Michigan teaching certificate.
- C. Able to assess and document student
- D. Professional in personal conduct and action.
- E. Excellent communication skills.

Duties:

- A. Provide instruction and leadership in helping students in grades 7-12.
- B. Provide and maintain an orderly classroom environment.
- C. Monitor and document student progress.
- D. Work independently and cooperatively in the teaching mode.
- E. Perform other duties as assigned by administrator.

Desirable Characteristics:

- A. History Endorsement
- B. Empathy for students and those with special needs.
- C. Experience working with young people.

Application Deadline: August 31, 2005 Send letter of interest and resume to:

> Mr. Ray Poellet, Principal Fairview Area Schools 1879 E. Miller Road Fairview, MI 48621

STATEMENT OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

It is the policy of the Fairview Area Schools that no person shall on the basis of sex, race, color, natural origin, or handicap be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits, or be subjected to discrimination in employment or any of its programs

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In accord with the federal law, any person employed by the district must provide evidence that s/he is eligible to work in the United States. CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECK

In accordance with state law and board policy, no person shall be hired to work in contact with children prior to being fingerprinted and passing a criminal records review.

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The Board will begin accepting applications with resumes on August 1, 2005. Application form and job description are available at the Road Commission Office located at 300 W. 8th St., Mio, Michigan 48647. Phone Number is (989) 826-3218.

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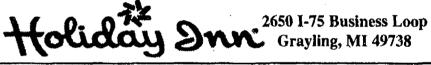
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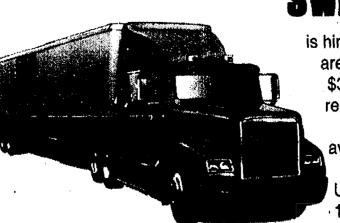
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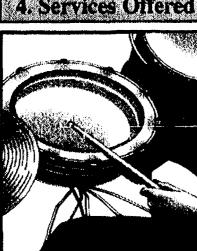
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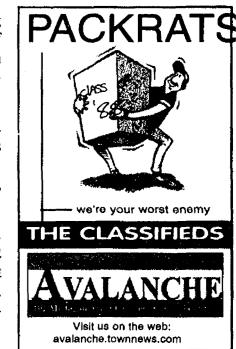
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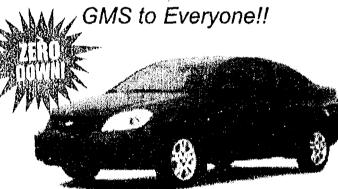
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